B

Woodsia glabella, R. Br.

Shaded cliffs, Cape Trinity,

Saguenay River, Canada.

August 12, 1879.

C. G. Pringle.

B

C. G. PRINGLE,

PLANTÆ MEXICANÆ.

1890.

—STATE OF SAN LUIS POTOSI—

3403 Aspidium juglandifolium, Kunze.

Cool ledges and slopes, Tamasopo Canyon.

25, November.

B

C. G. PRINGLE,

PLANTÆ MEXICANÆ.

1885.

—STATE OF CHIHUAHUA—

451 Notholæna nivea, Desv.

Limestone ledges, Santa Eulalia Mts.

15, September.

E

C. G. PRINGLE,

PLANTÆ MEXICANÆ.

1888.

—STATE OF JALISCO—

1837 Asplenium Pringlei, Davenport n.sp.

Wet cliffs near Guadalajara.

5, December.

B

C. G. PRINGLE,

PLANTÆ MEXICANÆ.

1888.

—STATE OF JALISCO—

1839 Aspidium Athyrioides, Mart. & Gal.

Wet banks and ledges near Guadalajara.

3, December.

B

C. G. PRINGLE,

PLANTÆ MEXICANÆ.

1888.

—STATE OF JALISCO—

Neallyi Sealii

1864 Notholæna ~~Grayi, Davenport.~~

var. Mexicana Dav.

Dry shaded ledges of the barranca near Guadalajara.

30, November.

B

C. G. PRINGLE,

PLANTÆ MEXICANÆ.

1890.

—STATE OF SAN LUIS POTOSI—

3403 Aspidium juglandifolium, Kunze.

Cool ledges and slopes, Tamasopo Canyon.

25, November.

CURTISS, NORTH AMERICAN PLANTS, No. 3704

B

Pteris Cretica, L.

Shaded rocks, Appalachicola River, near Aspalaga, Florida.

Legit A. H. CURTISS. *April.*

CURTISS, NORTH AMERICAN PLANTS, No. 3668

B

Polypodium Phyllitidis, L.

On logs in dark woods between the Everglades and Bay Biscayne, Florida.

Legit A. H. CURTISS. *June.*

B

C. G. PRINGLE,

PLANTÆ MEXICANÆ.

1890.

4001 —STATE OF SAN LUIS POTOSI—

Polypodium - petiolatum n. sp.?

On mossy oaks,

Las Canoas,

19, August, 1891.

C. G. PRINGLE,

PLANTÆ MEXICANÆ.

1886.

—STATE OF CHIHUAHUA—

827 Cheilanthes

Cold ledges and slopes, Portrero Peak.

Alt. 7,300 ft. 12, October.

C. G. PRINGLE,

PLANTÆ MEXICANÆ.

1885.

—STATE OF CHIHUAHUA—

444 Asplenium Trichomanes, L.,

var. radicans, Davenport.

Wet ledges, rocky hills near Chihuahua.

October.

C. G. PRINGLE,

PLANTÆ MEXICANÆ.

1888.

—STATE OF NUEVO LEON—

1982 Aspidium.... ....

Cool shaded canons S. M. near Monterey.

14, June.

C. G. PRINGLE,

PLANTÆ MEXICANÆ.

1889.

—STATE OF NUEVO LEON—

2599 Notholæna ~~Lemmoni, Eaton~~,

~~var.~~ rigida, Davenport.

Limestone ledges, Sierra de la Silla, Monterey.

31, May.

C. G. PRINGLE,

PLANTÆ MEXICANÆ.

1890.

3413. —STATE OF SAN LUIS POTOSI—

Asplenium

Rich forests, Tamasopo Cañon.

25, Nov.

C. G. PRINGLE,

PLANTÆ MEXICANÆ.

1890.

—STATE OF SAN LUIS POTOSI—

3298 Pellæa rigida, Hook.

Ledges and bare banks,
San Jose Pass.

11, October.

C. G. PRINGLE,

PLANTÆ MEXICANÆ.

1888.

—STATE OF JALISCO—

Pellaea longipilosa
Var. Parvula

Near Guadalajara.

C. G. PRINGLE,

PLANTÆ MEXICANÆ.

1889.

2603. —STATE OF NUEVO LEON—

Sierra Madre, Near Monterey.

W. June, 1889.

Cincinnati, O.

Apr. 27th, 1873.

Mr. Geo. F. Davenport,

Dear Sir:

In all my botanizing
for years I have been in search of, & have
sought for, a fine moss or fern, and
though with a few hardy exceptions,
I have the spores the moss you require.
I have collected many, but none of
them grow in Pittsburg, & have not
I can say to inquire you, there
any thing to send you. Do thank
please, & [illegible] with our kind
[illegible] remember me of our friends
and engaged a friend to inquire for
Moss and another lady remember me
to Sweden Lake, not [illegible]
in the [illegible] [illegible]. Probably [illegible]
Moss on the mountain slope of the Glen

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

Yours truly,

C. G. Pringle.

[illegible]

[illegible]

to botanical features on wild woods and mountain tops? To me half the pleasure of the botany of Fields consists in making the acquaintance of plants in their native haunts and their learning from them their curious preferences, — the peculiar surroundings and special associates they choose. Among all the [illegible] which my chosen occupations yield I think I know of none quite so delicate pure as those which a day in the deep mossy woods, by the silent margin of some clear lake, or on the wild, bare rock of some mountain summit, confers on the true student of nature.

As respects the flora of British America, which I hope to live long enough to explore, the work of Hooker, Flora Boreali-Americana, is something desirable in itself. I presume it is procurable in the market. I am about to open correspondence with some botanical friends, because

Yours truly,

C. G. Pringle.

Charlotte, Vermont,
January, 19th, 1874.

Mr. Geo. E. Davenport

My dear Friend:

The liberal manner in which you share with me your choicest [illegible] delights me almost as much as it gratifies me; but I cannot consent that you should again detract from the value of the specimens designed for your own herbarium, in order that you may furnish me with even so rare acquisitions.

I thank you for the frequent favors which place me under constantly increasing obligations to you; and reciprocate your kind New Year wishes. I hope the pleasure which you have shown so much anticipation in planning in Massachusetts, will not fail to gladden you many times during the coming season. I expect the most

[illegible] will prove a very busy one to me, and much depends upon its being so successful for me also. Besides my usual cares and labors, I have to grow a large quantity of potatoes of a new variety of my own originating, a cross between the Garrison and the Early Rose, which the nurserymen of New York are about to introduce to the public. I have in prospect the charge of the Horticultural department of our University of Vermont and State Agricultural College, and the formation of horticultural experimental grounds and something of a botanic garden, and if this enterprise but bring me the pecuniary recompense, which it now promises to do, I shall have the much needed means for preparing myself for these duties.

I mean to apply myself with all proper diligence to my botanical studies, and I am glad to receive the loan of plants which you desire. Your requests for permission permission to be an occasional contributor to botanical records in our journal now seem numerous, which perhaps I may well. A few days ago I sent you by mail two boxes of plants which I was able to gather during a few days. Of some of the remaining plants, now [illegible], I will be able, I think to send you shortly a fine supply; but as the season of flowering common plants here, it will require, I presume, more than one season, amounting to discharge your entire commission. I do not, in a moment's reflection, think it will be anything but a pleasure to me to be [illegible] as I shall be able.

Application Hymenoch I have not yet note write, but I doubt whether it is so rare as to escape my notice.

Will it be inspiring for me imperfect a thing, if I permit myself to anticipate sharing with you some day the delights of [illegible]

Barnstaple, Devon.

March, 8th, 1874.

My dear Mr. Darwin,

I hardly expect you will get much a botanist [illegible] unfortunately, if I ever attain to any place among botanists, however modest it may be, I shall be compelled to accord to your addidiana and encouragement much of the credit. I dare not expect you will understand this, as I realize it. Such kind words from you in the one possibility vacation, and sent to a wondering stranger. I hope I may claim to make you better returns, than I am now able to do. I am under obligations to you of which you are not aware - let me tell you how your name recognition took home a very dear old friend. The incident is a little singular; but more pleasing to me than strange. I only years ago, when I a school-boy and

[illegible] quietest and [illegible] of the [illegible] Sermon, I [illegible] in the [illegible] of the Congregational [illegible] [illegible] and like a true teacher could not but feel an interest in the prosperity of the young student [illegible] received into our family. [illegible], the [illegible] of his [illegible], certainly kindness. I [illegible] remember our [illegible] over the leaves of our herbarium, and by examining [illegible] the peculiar beauty or the [illegible] of each specimen, [illegible] [illegible]. So my notes were [illegible]. But our ways parted. The family moved from post to post among the [illegible], and I went to other schools, and [illegible] lost trace of them. But the other day a letter came from Mrs. Piper of Tolland, [illegible] was a great joy. You [illegible] a little Tracking Leaf with my name.

P.S. Since writing [illegible] [illegible] of the [illegible] as well as the [illegible] of [illegible] has come to hand. Surely I ought to take great pains to make returns for so abundant favors. I begin to feel that I could not keep pace with your generosity, were I to become a *Chasseur* as the French say, or a Wandering Jew.

I have the last Transactions of your Society from Mr. Bulwer. I thank you for your thoughtfulness.

The catalogue and [illegible] with which you so kindly remembered me I was particularly pleased to receive. I find them very [illegible].

Among my ferns I found two kinds, whose names I cannot [illegible], which are unlike anything [illegible] I have; and I can hardly make out what they are. I do not remember where I gathered them,

[illegible]

[illegible] Hacienda Santa Rosa [illegible] Hacienda Santa Rosa [illegible] Hacienda Santa Rosa [

Dear Sir: I did not indeed, Mr. Foster, to come [illegible] to me, immediately on arrival in this part of Vermont. I should give me the greatest pleasure to see you the object of this visit. [illegible] Details, and if it is possible for me to lay aside my [illegible] time, I will be more than willing to conduct him to the [illegible] remarkable which are of most interest to a [illegible] in the obtained [illegible] of any particular place he may wish to visit. I am glad to [illegible] Vermont; I believe he will find that we have many places not in Baker's Gazetteer, nor in Mr. Foster's supplement. I have hopes of doing something in the Penn way this coming summer. I expect to get into the wilds of the N. E. part of the State. That region is a [illegible] one.

I am under the necessity of asking my friends to give me notice, when they come to visit me, as I live five miles from the Church to R.R. Station, and would not [illegible] to be [illegible] to carry a wet & disagreeable [illegible]. I find I can [illegible] your [illegible] a few of the most [illegible] you desire, [illegible]

Yours Sincerely,

C. G. Pringle.

Mr. J. S. Foster.

[illegible] and a little
make an exposure into the [illegible]
Sphagnum and have little or nothing
of [illegible] left; I was
much cut under strength and the
[illegible]; to-day, ordered with [illegible]
and the [illegible] to
me sandy, [illegible]; at the marble
[illegible] the limestone cliffs; at the
calcareous cliffs of the Winooski for Potamo-
and Asplenium ruta-muraria; and to-
[illegible] the subalpine
[illegible] find here their original
home. As I had planned to explore
the Cobb region in N. E. Vt., I should
have to take it with him as
far as Willoughby.

Your success in flowering Cypripedium,
etc. I think quite creditable. Before
receiving your request for a few stems of
C. reticulatum, I had been scanning
[illegible] for exhibition

Charlotte, Vermont.
April 9th, 87.

Dear Mr. Sargent,

Though a great
snow storm is in progress here
there is a foot of snow here, spring has been very
[illegible] for vegetation
in which you and I have so
much delight is springing up
once again into active life; the
grass has already given the
fields a tinge of green; and the
other day I found in the woods
a few Hepaticas nearly open.

And I have already taken
my share of the joys which the
spring season offers; on last
week I spent several days in
the fields collecting a barrel of

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] I [illegible] [illegible] or [illegible] I think the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. Do you not think it was very remarkable that I [illegible] [illegible] at this [illegible] nineteen species, with the exception of one [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] in dif- [illegible] in Europe?

Of Pellaea atropurpurea and Woodsia [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] in your list of [illegible] [illegible], I gathered [illegible] [illegible] at the same time a little [illegible] of the [illegible] which I mailed two days ago. This [illegible] [illegible] by way of an [illegible] of my [illegible] to remember you this [illegible] in my [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] the [illegible] [illegible] I [illegible] able to [illegible] at the time [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] of your [illegible]. I [illegible] they might [illegible] to your [illegible]. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] of [illegible] [illegible] [illegible].

I think it [illegible] [illegible] to [illegible] a [illegible] at [illegible] [illegible] the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] if he will come to [illegible] when the first [illegible] into [illegible]. [illegible] [illegible] filled with [illegible] [illegible] I have about 20 [illegible] [illegible], and I [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] in [illegible] [illegible] of [illegible] Catalogue [illegible] I have [illegible] [illegible]. And of [illegible] [illegible] exceptions [illegible] is particular to give [illegible] [illegible].

I anticipate [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] to Vermont, and, if I can possibly get away [illegible] [illegible], I [illegible] endeavor to [illegible] [illegible] if it would be acceptable to him that I do so, to [illegible] [illegible] of [illegible] interest in [illegible] [illegible] of the [illegible], to [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] Spirit [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]

[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible] Tribune [illegible]
[illegible], and the vicinity of [illegible].
[illegible]. I have [illegible]
assembling the [illegible]
and [illegible] you with some of the
[illegible]

[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible] you have [illegible]
[illegible] a composition.

I will refer again to Mr. [illegible]
coming [illegible] that any

[illegible]

[illegible] gathering [illegible] in [illegible] the [illegible] of [illegible] minds [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] that time, I think.

Thanking you for continuing to remember me with welcome [illegible] and for the assurance of your friendship such return which I have [illegible] to [illegible] at very [illegible], I remain,

Very faithfully,

W. G. Pringle.

out of bloom. I send a specimen, to ask if it is not Diplomis [illegible].

[illegible] affords me quite delight in Bristol Pond, a very [illegible] pretty pond [illegible] surrounded by a big [illegible] of acres in extent. Its carpet of sphagnum is gay with Arethusa bulbosa, Cal. [illegible] chelone, and Pogonia ophioglossoides. Nearer rise two or three feet in height the white [illegible] of the [illegible] Habenaria blephariglottis. I found there, by the way, Liparis condylos, and a most beautiful pink Pyrola, the rotundifolia [illegible] bellissima.

I have already found a large part of the plants in the list you sent me. Some of them, I can easily get for you, as they occur in the extreme southern part of the State, as in Pownal, where the flora corresponds with that of Western Mass., or in Brattleboro, etc. Once [illegible] time, I shall be [illegible] to make my effort to bring you. Your list was read with appreciation.

Charlotte, Vermont.

July, 27th, 1874.

My dear Mr. Davenport:

You were quite right in assuming that it would be a disappointment to me to fail of the pleasure of botanizing with Mr. Farson. I had expected so much pleasure and profit from my visit to Vermont, and our only consolation might with the aspect and [illegible] the latter will yet yield me the opportunities for botanizing and for making profitable acquaintances, which I now [illegible] so [illegible]. I hope [illegible] I could last place the attractions of our Valley under contribution to the pleasure and advantage of Mr. Farson; and had been anticipating with the [illegible] of a [illegible] [illegible] I could

[illegible] to [illegible] when [illegible] favorite haunts and the flowers they produce, if not this season, then [illegible].

I cherish most fondly another hope; it is that I may get entertain yourself [illegible] and any of your friends whom you may find or bring with you. If [illegible] are an object with you, the investment [illegible] of [illegible] will [illegible] at your command. But getting, exploring a mile within a mile of home, I found as much as an acre of *Aspl. angust. folio* and St. Lily *Aspid. Goldianum* in [illegible] [illegible]. Say nothing of the much magnificent [illegible] of *Scutellaria* [illegible] *Aspl. thelypteroides*, [illegible] [illegible]. But I particularly wish you could be [illegible] with me in Wantage, [illegible] [illegible] ips south of me. Unlike our own township where rich, warm ridges and broad meadows admit of excellent farms, Wantage is a cold region much broken up by rocky hills [illegible] by huge bowlders and [illegible] [illegible] of solid Pondrock. Between the hills in the bottom of the valleys are many cedar swamps of [illegible]

The region is wild in [illegible]. Under the stunted pines in the sand and sand which covers the cold rocks of the hills is strewn *Lycopodium [illegible]*, and in the swamps *L. [illegible]*, *pubescens*, and *aristinum* are very abundant. Besides these *Lycopodiums* I have found a form which corresponds with the description of *L. [illegible]* in every particular, and growing in the [illegible] in the dense shade of the cedars which Van Brunt represents accurately in Flora des Serres, Vol. X. p. 207. The lower flower of the [illegible] [illegible] there appears as in a *L. [illegible]* [illegible] in shape of labellum. You can see it in your library. Van Brunt calls it *L. pubescens* var. [illegible]. It opens flowers in the situations which I have indicated at 8 or 10 inches in height; it is very [illegible] and [illegible].

In an open pasture in Wantage I found a [illegible] pleasant the other day which [illegible]

I should [illegible] a little tour through [illegible] in the north-eastern part of this State. Wooding [illegible] is [illegible] tell me what are the merits of Eastport [illegible]. Does it half raise the [illegible]?

That region abounds in cold [illegible] and fog, I understand; and its farms are scanty enough. Made roads [illegible] settled.

On the farm the season is thus far prosperous enough. Weekly rains induce a luxuriant vegetation. Haying with many farms is past; the flowers linger, and the enjoyment of fruits, while [illegible] of winter.

Hoping I have by all this writing inspired in you a desire to come this way with your portfolio,

I remain faithfully yours,

C. G. Pringle.

Charlotte, Vermont.

August 18th, 84.

My Dear Mr. Darwin.

The package of Canadian ferns which you were so thoughtful and so kind as to send me a few days ago were just what I had been wishing to get for my little fern garden. I cannot think of anything which would have been more welcome. Should I send any thing to you I would not send it until the Canadian Spring, as I write that of you also, when the fern season; so you have a little long wait to return the favor.

I enclose for you a few pounds of various Plants of the department of a variety of Asiatic Spiranthes which I find common here on open grounds in distant, and [illegible] and [illegible] & c.

[illegible] to [illegible], and it to be opened [illegible]
[illegible] two of the lessons from [illegible]
[illegible]. I [illegible] my lens [illegible]
[illegible] grounds [illegible] the division which
is not the [illegible] smooth; and in other particulars
it suggests [illegible] here.

I provide it to you as [illegible]. I am
[illegible] of [illegible] and [illegible],
[illegible], if you make it [illegible] to be different
[illegible] [illegible] 2, 5 [illegible], [illegible]
[illegible].

Yours truly,

E. L. Pringle.

[illegible] account of the abandoned turn-table pits [illegible] very exceedingly; and [illegible] question [illegible] rain [illegible] specting the way in which [illegible] found occupying it were introduced [illegible] liar one with me. It has often come up after me, when I have found a spot peculiarly fitted for certain plants, and no matter how limited the spot, [illegible] sought in vain for those plants growing very far removed, it may be, from any other species. How the right plants and the right locations for them were brought together is, as you remark, an interesting subject for enquiry; and [illegible] explained by attributing great efficiency [illegible] the wind, and suggest the use of such an infinite number of seeds as most plants [illegible] supplied with. Scarcely any subject connected with Botany is of deeper interest to me than the habits and peculiarities of pl[illegible] as respects the soil and other [illegible] in which they grow.

Allow me to remain

Your sincere friend,

C. G. Pringle.

Charlotte, Vermont.

August, 14th, 87.

Dear Mr. Davenport:

[illegible] in this town, quiet, country [illegible], where a few city people [illegible] the year. One of them is on the [illegible] of the Lake at [illegible] of the town (the opposite end from me) and the other is situated among a range of [illegible] the center of the town. We are [illegible] in Charlotte; and, though [illegible] Apple [illegible] in [illegible], none of them is of sufficient size to admit of its being called [illegible]. The scenery of the vicinity is unsurpassed in the State. I think Mr. Fox would find stopping in Charlotte a while a pleasant thing. And as for botanizing in

Dear
Sir

[illegible] second, that at S. [illegible] I shall be [illegible] to see [illegible] the [illegible] of the [illegible].

[illegible] at S. [illegible], [illegible] the vicinity of Willingby Lake [illegible] I wish to mention a proposition. It is [illegible] proposal first [illegible] that [illegible] joining [illegible] and [illegible] to join [illegible] in [illegible] it [illegible], [illegible] [illegible] with me to Charlotte to spend a little while among our plants. To return to Boston, by way of this place from Willingby Lake would not be a very circuitous route; and it would give great diversity to his trip. I [illegible] not be able to spend many days in that part of the State, and probably would not be able to reach the place which Mr. Farlow might name at the place where I might join him [illegible] with him, as soon as he; as I must stop a short time about Lake Winnipesaukee on my way there. And I shall wish to [illegible] to visit Prof. Farlow [illegible] of Cryptogamy.

[illegible] experience as this [illegible] involve I [illegible] Farlow [illegible] not come to stay with me; [illegible] it is [illegible] hope that I may [illegible] which [illegible] to compensate my [illegible] in asking him to the address [illegible] to [illegible] in his [illegible]; [illegible] with my [illegible] Flora of Germany, I cannot expect in [illegible] to [illegible] the [illegible].

I will submit this [illegible] to Mr. [illegible] [illegible] friend; [illegible] you to inform me as early as [illegible] in [illegible] away [illegible] the [illegible] [illegible], whether I [illegible] [illegible] to meet him in the [illegible], I should [illegible] [illegible].

In regard to the [illegible] of our plants which you request, it will [illegible] give me pleasure to send you a copy.

Charlotte, N.C.

Aug. 29th, 1874.

My dear Mr. Davenport:

I have been detained at home a week longer than I expected to be when I wrote you last, and only [illegible] for the week today. I mean to [illegible] and shall find Mr. Faxon there; and if we [illegible] Charlotte, next week I shall hardly fail to meet him; as I shall devote the entire week by the middle of the week.

My dear old friend of whom I am going you a description which as I am dance another theme, Forty-seven simply.

The case I shall not fail to furnish us, as at beside the request of one to [illegible] I am too much. Yours [illegible]

C. G. Pringle.

I believe I mentioned of my claim [illegible]

I could move continually every minute below. When I learned my mistake [illegible] too late to return. The wind was very high that day, and was [illegible] sing in the [illegible] of the cliff. I saw large pieces of rock that had but recently fallen; so I felt quite safe; and, when I had exhausted my in my mind and laborious search, I descended to the lake for dinner and a little rest before going on the summit. Not far from where I found the Woodsia I found a clump of Pellaea gracilis.

The larger specimens of W. glabella I have pressed; and of the small ones I have put one into my fern garden and send you the other tied up in the exterior of a roll of moss, etc., from a swamp on the Pacific of Lake Memphremagog, Derby, Vt. amongst which you may possibly find something acceptable. In the same pkg I have put a tuft of Equisetum sylvaticum picked up for you in a wood in [illegible], Vt.

Charlotte Vermont.
Sept., 8th, 1874.

My Dear Friend:

I dropped you a few lines on the morning of my leaving for the north part of the State, and now can do no less than report to you concerning my visit to Willoughby Mountain.

I could have so long wished from going, and so many cares attempted rivaled my attention, that I allowed myself but four or five days for my trip. Most the greater part of that time business and friendship claimed, so that I had but one day to spend in visiting Willoughby Mountain. Thirty or forty miles ride by rail and carriage, spring returning left me but four or five days

for the mountain, where at least four or five days were required to make a thorough survey. Half of my allotted time I devoted to the precipice and the "mountain garden" at its base, and the other half I used in visiting the summit of the mountain, where I found nothing to repay my effort. The foot of the precipice half a mile above the lake shore was a most interesting place to me, and I brought away a good number of plants I had never met before. Some plants were of course out of season. Lobelia Kalmii was common, and pretty. Saxifraga aizoon I was so fortunate as to find still in flower in one instance. But you are, perhaps impatient to know whether I found Woodsia glabella. I did find four plants of it (two mature and two small ones) after much clambering over the ~~side~~ face of the cliff and prying into its obscure nooks. Had I not been misled by the supposition that I should find enough of it on the summit

Willoughby Lake is a magnificent scene as you approach it from the south, the blue waters lying deep within a chasm cleft in the mountains [illegible] with evergreens. I should not be satisfied till I return, at a more favorable season of the year, and spend several days in making myself familiar with the mountain and its rare plants. The memory of these days will haunt me all through the winter that is coming, and I know not why. I should regret the partial failure of my purpose ~~of~~ this season. May I not hope that we may share the pleasure of visiting there next year? The place is entirely isolated at present; but it is [illegible], possible that the hotel will be opened next summer.

One of the specimens of W. glabella which I am pressing is designed for you.

Yours faithfully,
C. G. Pringle.

Charlotte, Vermont,
Sept. 20th, [illegible]

Dear Mr. Davenport:

Indeed I am sorry to have been disappointed of seeing you and your friends [illegible] in Vermont this season, but in this I am cheered by the hope that the future will make kind amends for the disappointments of the present and past. Opportunities will recur again another year: our plants will display themselves then as [illegible] as they have lately done. Very few will be missed from their places. And then, as I trust, you and your friends will find just as much delight among them, as you would have done had you been able to ramble among them this year.

[illegible] the limestone cliffs of the Winooski River at some distance [illegible], and I am not yet [illegible] in getting a supply of [illegible]. [illegible] I am hardly [illegible] you in a little while [illegible] and when all are in, [illegible] of which I am [illegible] half of those in your list.

I am [illegible] there is a possibility of my seeing your [illegible] in the [illegible] region, and in this next Summer. We can at least keep that mark in view.

Yours faithfully,
C. G. Pringle.

I was delighted [illegible] day to receive from you the clumps of Calluna, you were so kind as to remember me with. It is really [illegible] lovely thing. I had read with interest some accounts of it, so I [illegible] it with joy.

I send you three living plants of [illegible] I found in Southland last, and [illegible] to your Botrych. Simplex, in order that you may identify it. That is really [illegible] I [illegible] confidence, [illegible] so closely to some [illegible] covered with [illegible] description of [illegible] in Trans. N. Zealand.

I [illegible] it so, you may [illegible] the [illegible] I have [illegible] a good [illegible] of [illegible] specimens, some [illegible] of large size, 6" in [illegible].

I shall not [illegible] I [illegible] with [illegible] [illegible] I [illegible] [illegible] met with it. I [illegible] [illegible] of many fungi which I have seen this summer, [illegible] also, though not so closely as I [illegible] of rather [illegible] [illegible].

I am making [illegible] of plants for Dr. Hooker; and [illegible] I [illegible] already too deeply indebted to you, I would ask you to put me in [illegible] of putting [illegible] roots of Woodwardia angustifolium and Lygodium palmatum to [illegible].

By referring to your letter in which you requested some ferns I am chagrined to find that the time at which you desired they might be sent, is considerably past. [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

I [illegible] you having the C. nipalense [illegible] two of which I think you will find [illegible] to be C. parviflorum.

[illegible] grateful for the many kindnesses [illegible] from [illegible]

I remain, dear [illegible],

C. G. Pringle.

Charlotte, Vt., Oct. 9, 1869.

Dear Mr. Engelmann,

[illegible] I [illegible] to [illegible] but I [illegible] [illegible] Dr. Robbins [illegible] Northwestern Virginia [illegible] off [illegible] found it, and cannot think it grows there now. Forty years [illegible] great change in that place; the marsh has been drained and is now quite restricted. I thought I would [illegible] this [illegible], as I would not need to trouble you [illegible] for me; and I was particularly [illegible] getting it for Dr Hooker, as it is not in the New catalogue of 1868. I am [illegible]

I am hoping to hear that this last package is [illegible].

[illegible] for the numerous packages that you have sent me since I wrote you last. Parnassia Caroliniana is very [illegible] [illegible] English amateur. I [illegible] growing [illegible] garden [illegible] [illegible], and also [illegible] [illegible] a cliff on the Winooski River, where I go for Pellaea atropurpurea.

I have found the "Devil's Den" near [illegible] (see Oakes' Catalogue) and have got for you a little of Pellaea gracilis, roots and pressed fronds. I believe it is very rare [illegible].

Shortly after I wrote you last I found Aspid. cristatum, var. Clintonianum, as you [illegible] you thought I might do. It was in a swamp in [illegible]; and since I find it common enough in all our swamps, though

[illegible] to [illegible] [illegible], as [illegible] [illegible].

[illegible]; so you may [illegible] few days [illegible] [illegible] plants, which is [illegible], I [illegible] only [illegible] named.

[illegible] ago I [illegible] a [illegible] of Aspl. angustifolium to [illegible]. I thank you for the suggestion. [illegible]'s kindness Mr. J. Warren [illegible] of [illegible] writes me requesting a few species Vt. filices. He offers some very desirable species in exchange, and has sent me a frond of Aspid. fragrans. I wish to enquire [illegible] are acquainted with him.

I am making up this fall four large collections of plants, beside [illegible] and this work, added to the ordinary and extraordinary cares of my business, as you [illegible], makes me very busy. It will soon be [illegible]; and I look forward with much

H

[illegible]

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Dr. Hooker thus alludes to his recent loss: — "x x x the most terrible of blows, the death of my wife, — having nursed her — without a moment's warning a very few hours absence from my bedside."

P.S.

Dr. Hooker writes: "I ought to say that we have no duplicate of Bot. Boreale, Miles; so I send you tracings of two extreme forms: it is rather a fat species, or rather a more form of B. Lunaria."

I enclose the sketches Dr. Hooker was so kind as to make.

I also send you (please return) the ~~of Jesup~~ catalogue of Am. Ferns which I took to Kew and which ~~—~~ Dr. Hooker and Mr. Baker now looked over, marking such species as they desire. They propose to help us to herbarium specimens of Ferns and other plants if we want them. Would you like to help make up this collection (safe host by advice and visits) and share in the returns?

C. G. P.

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] a good looking [illegible]

[illegible] you know he is a Shoemaker. He does [illegible] nowadays, Theresa [illegible] in middle [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] unless [illegible]

[illegible] Frost.

[illegible]

I was pained to learn of Mr. Pringle's [illegible]
[illegible]. I had written him respecting [illegible], and
in consequence there was a new variety, if a [illegible]
[illegible] for this [illegible] in preparing [illegible] this sec-
[illegible] of the Pringle Herb. and not of [illegible]
[illegible] September till the end of 1870. As I have
[illegible] I may state
[illegible] an arrangement with
him by which I receive [illegible], etc., etc., as
[illegible] this spring is [illegible]. I did not
[illegible] [illegible] with him
[illegible] [illegible] the terms of
[illegible]. If he will send us,
as [illegible], small pkgs of such species as
it is [illegible] New, for a moderate
[illegible], I will engage [illegible] the applicants.
Why I [illegible] this matter to you?

Send us most [illegible] of Pens. Please name
the species [illegible] [illegible] of specimens.

Yours truly,

C. G. Pringle.

Cambridge, Massachusetts

Dec. 18th, 1873.

My Dear Mr. Sereno:

[illegible] of [illegible]
[illegible] interest [illegible] of the [illegible]
is upon the [illegible] for [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible]. [illegible]
[illegible] himself in [illegible] respire
from [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible]. But his friends are
[illegible], [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible].

Your [illegible] of June 20th came duly
to hand, at [illegible] the [illegible] of [illegible]
[illegible]. I was [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] to the North Sea. [illegible] of the
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. But I
[illegible], I will [illegible] [illegible] a little
[illegible] [illegible] this matter of a

[illegible] of [illegible] Society [illegible]
[illegible] exhibition of [illegible]
[illegible] London, and there it [illegible]
[illegible] I would have [illegible] it.

I [illegible] with Mr. [illegible]
[illegible] you [illegible] in Horticulture [illegible]
[illegible] of a magnificent exhibition.
[illegible] for the doing [illegible]
[illegible] in the matter, perhaps by [illegible]
[illegible] upon the City, etc., [illegible] for
[illegible], and then [illegible] committee
from members and friends. Speaking for
[illegible] of the [illegible] I [illegible]
say that there are certain things which
it would [illegible] to have to furnish;
and it would give me very great pleasure to aid
in such a work. Now that we have horticulture
in [illegible], if [illegible] in it is begun [illegible]
by the Society, and the work [illegible] in [illegible]
by [illegible] approximation, it will grow.

For [illegible], I do not [illegible] it would not be
possible for me to visit Vermont this [illegible]
year on account of many pressing engagements
[illegible] I have been [illegible]; and I have
not yet [illegible] given the [illegible]
Now [illegible] many [illegible] which I would
like to discuss with you. For one thing, I [illegible]
[illegible] you by sending you a [illegible]
of Sandusky School Farm, Agricultural [illegible],
[illegible] 80 species, which I have purchased this
[illegible].

I think I [illegible] a [illegible] of Abutilon Darwinii
[illegible] (you will want a spec. of
this [illegible] as well as one of [illegible]
[illegible]). I have hardly time [illegible]
the fields [illegible], so closely have I applied
myself to my hybridizing, chiefly of lilies, [illegible],
and [illegible]. My lilies, as my [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible], afford me much amuse-
ment.

P.S.

Many of my lyric [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible], [illegible]

August, 10, 8[illegible]

My dear Friend,

[illegible] the
[illegible] may [illegible]
[illegible] offence, [illegible] if possible, [illegible]
[illegible] thoughts [illegible] & [illegible] a [illegible]
[illegible] would be. But [illegible] during the [illegible]
[illegible] & [illegible] which [illegible]
[illegible], I am [illegible] by the [illegible] of your
[illegible] and [illegible] of the [illegible]
of the [illegible] [illegible]. Now, [illegible] I intend to
[illegible] with the [illegible] of [illegible] and
[illegible] [illegible] while [illegible] and
of [illegible] [illegible] to [illegible] in some [illegible]
[illegible], [illegible] [illegible].

I am [illegible] [illegible] of [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible], [illegible] [illegible] the [illegible], and
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible], [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] become [illegible], and [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] desire.

I am [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible], [illegible] I was waiting for [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. If I [illegible] [illegible] [illegible], [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] you [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible].

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] assurance, [illegible] readily have any longer to send you anything I [illegible] [illegible] exhibited. This was the [illegible] year of fruiting of my [illegible]. [illegible]d, when I conceived the wish to show [illegible], they should have already been in Boston. [illegible] must now wait till next year. [illegible] other things I hope to [illegible] this year [illegible] many more in succeeding years. Does the Society encourage no offerings to [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] engage much of my attention.

The [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] should I visit you, [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] a strong [illegible] that [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] of seeing you this [illegible], if I [illegible] get away [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] a few days. My resolution was [illegible] [illegible] up on reading [illegible] last.

[illegible] [illegible] the Gardener's Chronicle [illegible] in the [illegible] Library) for some [illegible] of [illegible] [illegible] for [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] to you I suppose.

Our dear Mrs Piper is indeed home again from her [illegible] weeks visit to Connecticut, and [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] improved this summer; so the [illegible] day [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] friend was upon her home is [illegible]. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] while [illegible] [illegible], for [illegible] friends are [illegible] [illegible].

Visited "[illegible] Pine" [illegible] day, and found [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] you.

Faithfully yours, [illegible]

Chariton, Iowa,
Sept. 18th, 1895.

My dear Mr. Bennett

Replying to your postal, and remembering your kind offer, I venture to send to your care the Annual Exhibition articles which I wish to have.

I have published in Chariton, Northwestern Hall, a twenty-page [illegible] consisting of 1 page each of [illegible] varieties of [illegible] exhibition, and the [illegible] of the [illegible] to be sold by [illegible]; and in [illegible] of Russet Apples, [illegible] [illegible] Apple [illegible].

I am anxious to buy this [illegible] of [illegible] I find it impossible to [illegible] Person [illegible] Saturday or Monday

[illegible]

[illegible]

I enclose a little [illegible] containing some [illegible] of [illegible], which [illegible] you as [illegible] as [illegible].

[illegible] from [illegible] Philippi [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible]

Yours [illegible],

E. C. Pringle.

[illegible], [illegible]

[illegible] 1907

My Dear Mr. Damon:

[illegible] I went at once. [illegible], and stand as I [illegible]. The next morning I [illegible] from [illegible] home, my arms full of plant-treasures, the [illegible] permit [illegible], [illegible] result of delightful [illegible] the [illegible] of the last few days, [illegible] my warm pals of [illegible] friends, who [illegible] to do good [illegible] to himself, as I [illegible] but was, [illegible] on [illegible] pleasure.

Does the disease [illegible] I have maintained [illegible] my mind, impair his [illegible]? It was not I did not [illegible] enjoy with me, for [illegible] opinion [illegible] at home, as I must, [illegible] very hour since then I have been intensely occupied. But on the day, as I [illegible], when I [illegible]

J. S. thanks for Typha angustifolia. I had [illegible] got home, however, before I found the species in a rail-road ditch; near it [illegible] the other species, and between or among them intermediate forms.

[illegible] as [illegible] your [illegible] the [illegible] of [illegible] I [illegible] you [illegible]. I [illegible] reading [illegible] before leaving [illegible] the time [illegible] harder than [illegible] the coming winter, [illegible] I [illegible] nothing less.

I want [illegible] my [illegible], [illegible] I am [illegible] your delicacy of [illegible]. While in Burlington yesterday, I [illegible] opportunity to call on Prof. Perkins, as I had [illegible] done in nearly two years. Did I tell you that he is a [illegible]. He is a pleasant [illegible], enthusiastic in [illegible]; and I am sure [illegible] be [illegible] after this [illegible] will [illegible] upon the [illegible] of [illegible].

I do not [illegible] any [illegible]; [illegible]

what I can. I [illegible] also [illegible] the [illegible] to your [illegible]. [illegible] I endeavored [illegible] write [illegible] of [illegible] you [illegible], it [illegible] finally [illegible] of [illegible], which would be [illegible] to you. [illegible] if you would be so kind as to [illegible] of such things as you think Mr. [illegible] with, I would be glad; [illegible] I [illegible] in [illegible].

Not only are Mansfield and Camel's Hump, which are in view from my window as I [illegible] white [illegible], [illegible] the [illegible] only five miles away [illegible]. Winter will [illegible] in upon [illegible] mountain, but it [illegible] the [illegible] I [illegible]. One [illegible] against the other [illegible] in [illegible] campaign.

Yours faithfully, C. G. Pringle.

Lausanne, Switzerland,

Dec. 6th, 1897.

My dear friend,

Rev. Dr. A. Bonar,

The great kindness of your letter, and the enclosure of your long and interesting letter, were some days after them. Everything deeply appreciated. I am much interested in those that you have sent, and shall be very thankful for more. I am also some things which I hope you will enjoy in my turn. Did I not send Spirit of Christ and C. Wesley?

You can never imagine the delight I have in keeping another link my dear old friend. Your letter of [illegible] reminds me of the happy days in past years in which I have such a share!

A piece of [illegible] which I return you a day or two. Hoping Feb. you may come a little farther. Yours as ever,

C. G. Finney.

[illegible]

[illegible], 18th, 1876

[illegible]

WRITE THE ADDRESS ON THIS SIDE—THE MESSAGE ON THE OTHER.

Mr. Geo. Thompson
8 Mechanics Place,
Albany.

Elizabeth, Vermont.

May 20th, 1896.

My Dear Friend:

Enclosed. I open you
can keep it to show at
the next meeting of the
Alert. Soc., if you think
it worth while to do so.
I am working and
trying, meaning to keep
down with the world
and not let up to be doing
this after. I will send you a
check for the
[illegible] dollars
[illegible] when it was [illegible]
[illegible]

E. G. Ringe.

WRITE THE ADDRESS ON THIS SIDE—THE MESSAGE ON THE OTHER

Mr. Geo. S. Bowman
Mechanics Place,
Boston.

Charlotte, Vermont

July [illegible] 1876.

My Dear Friend,

I have had [illegible]
[illegible] in [illegible]
my request for the work of
William Cobbett. Will you
[illegible] 20 to and 25 to
[illegible] with the
36 [illegible] of Hazlitt's
Lectures and the 6 [illegible]
of W. Leslie. I am [illegible]
lieve that this request will [illegible]
[illegible] you [illegible]
[illegible] 6 to [illegible], I will
[illegible].

Later, I shall [illegible] 6 to
[illegible] by you in the way [illegible]
[illegible], [illegible]
[illegible], or [illegible] [illegible].
[illegible] [illegible].

[illegible]

P. [illegible].

WRITE THE ADDRESS ON THIS SIDE—THE MESSAGE ON THE OTHER

Mrs. Geo. E. Bampton

8 Hamilton Place,

Boston.

[illegible]

WRITE THE ADDRESS ON THIS SIDE—THE MESSAGE ON THE OTHER

Mr. Geo. L. Dempsey
5 Hamilton Place,
Boston.

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

POSTAL CARD.

WRITE THE ADDRESS ON THIS SIDE—THE MESSAGE ON THE OTHER

Mr. Wm. L. D[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] they were [illegible]
intimate friends right [illegible] in the
[illegible] direction [illegible] dreams, & if
it [illegible] to be [illegible], and you pass [illegible]
a way to the [illegible] Mr. Cardine of the
Boston Methodist Young Ladies could know
something about such matters.

The prepaying of time and attention
[illegible] is a good way to make
money, good reputation for your [illegible]
[illegible] and good [illegible] [illegible]
way. Is there not a good market in
Boston for such things? Oh may there is
in N. Y. and I would help you find it.

I was considerably shaken by another
letter I got; and, well it not [illegible] the last.
And I let [illegible], I [illegible] [illegible] taken hold
of the business. Young [illegible] in Boston [illegible]
decide to visit Mr. Wright, will they [illegible]
[illegible] with me? Do thank you for [illegible]
Wright's address. Many thanks for the [illegible].

Yours sincerely. C. G. Finney.

Oberlin Nov. 17
Sun., 1st 79.

My Dear Mr. Brandon,

Your letter of the 3rd came
[illegible], and in reading it I felt [illegible] to
look down from S. to point, [illegible] from I
was [illegible].

If mere wishes can bring anything
forward though they may be, you surely have
mine that this year may bring you
more of joy and [illegible] than the past
one has [illegible]. Does Boston [illegible]
make things you want [illegible], I know not;
can you not bring it about that the [illegible]
of this [illegible] across our [illegible]
of your delight will turn you into another
[illegible] as sweet. I have sometimes thought
if I were shut up in a prison cell, I
could get within it [illegible] kind
enough of [illegible] work by study & [illegible]

[illegible] happy. [illegible] I am thankful as I [illegible] my [illegible] on mountain [illegible], it is true; but I am in my way [illegible] out of its [illegible], without a [illegible] and under circumstances that [illegible] limited of late little [illegible], and I [illegible] I am [illegible] than miserable.

I [illegible] today [illegible] to you the ferns I have [illegible].

Aspidium a., [illegible] from [illegible] (the original station of Pursh) Aug. 24/76 and [illegible] and Aspl. viride, ditto, ditto. Also some of my [illegible] Schizaea [illegible] of [illegible] and [illegible] Pursh, Camels Hump, July 19/76. [illegible] [illegible], [illegible] and Schizaea [illegible], from Mt. Mansfield, June [illegible] [illegible] Aug. 10/76. Aspid. fragrans Mt. M. June 15 & Aug. 10/76.

Botrychium, a form [illegible] I am [illegible] you, [illegible] I found in mountain woods in company with the common form of B. matricariaefolium and which I believe to be only a young state. But in our dark [illegible] in company with Lycopo[illegible] I think only [illegible] I am [illegible] you [illegible] new forms, [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] in Botrych, [illegible] [illegible] ~~[illegible]~~ [illegible] [illegible] [illegible], [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] matricariaefolium [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. I [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] a young form of matricariaefolium [illegible].

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] dropped, [illegible]. [illegible] you [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] of your [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] if you were a little freer with your friend?

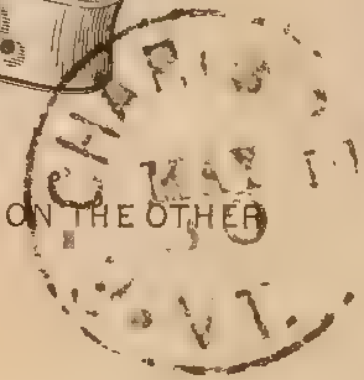
Charlotte, Vermont, Mar 30 [illegible]

My Dear Friend: It was [illegible] to hear again a few letter from you, and to learn that [illegible] health was so [illegible]. Your [illegible] mind is important. I was often [illegible] when the [illegible] up my farm, the [illegible] high [illegible], the [illegible] and the water was [illegible], where we used to walk with you. I have [illegible] I prefer to enjoy [illegible] but [illegible]. I [illegible] [illegible]. Mr. [illegible] [illegible]. I [illegible] give me some [illegible] [illegible] fresh [illegible].

I write to inform you [illegible] I [illegible] only [illegible] I [illegible] pay [illegible] 3d [illegible] 4th. for Mr. McLaughlin; in [illegible] I [illegible] to [illegible]; I [illegible] [illegible] pay [illegible].

[illegible] Yours.

WRITE THE ADDRESS ON THIS SIDE—THE MESSAGE ON THE OTHER



Mr. Geo. E. Davenport,
8 Hamilton, Place,
Boston,

[illegible] Triangle, and the
[illegible] of [illegible] and [illegible], [illegible],
[illegible] [illegible] a [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible].

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible], [illegible]
[illegible].

I am just returned from a
visit to Mansfield Park; the Worlds
were coming, not, and I intend
to see a little company while
with Mr. [illegible], I hope
we may [illegible] [illegible].

Yours truly
C. J. Fox.

Chesterfield, Vermont
June, 6 [illegible]

My Dear Mr. Davenport

Here, on a rude wilderness
[illegible] my other scamp Bellyache
[illegible] [illegible] I can see it and
[illegible] to realize, dimly, pinnacle
characters of the little [illegible] [illegible]
& [illegible] and more [illegible]
into the more dissected parts of
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] to reproduce in a
tangible and permanent manner of a
[illegible], I [illegible] to try again [illegible]
simplest, this time with some [illegible]
[illegible], [illegible] [illegible] in a
[illegible] [illegible] in this town
in company with Christopher,

I am writing for a copy of Wordsworth's Sophistic. I don't know when I can pay for them very much, but a few days I might be driving to make up for the time, perhaps, I could do with the money for some time. If memory serves me, I owe you for Virgil's Eneid, I will pay you $2 for them. The couple of books you loaned me I shall return — they are very valuable. For they are not, but may 36 N. Virginia I do not expect to find in it, but as they are common with — if you should think them worth the trouble, I would pay you $2 for them.

Yours truly

C. G. Prince.

Charlotte, Vermont
Sept. 22nd 1877.

My Dear Mr. Thompson,

I am glad to receive your prompt and kind answering a letter. I am opening practical, however, it seems that you find in your religious and moral life historical investigation the limits in a marked way. This must be on the plenty phases. I should think, then the more satisfying effect, which you have of with a marked pain.

I have very little time to write letter now-days, but I must thank you for sending Thomas

[illegible] it was for the sake of [illegible] Mother it appeared — for Then was the most delightful company I ever enjoyed on my return home.

I enclose some specimens of B. Bayley's work for you to see — returns. I cannot question or reject your decision that my under-damaged Betty-pieces is worth engraving. Let me express my feeling that — from a practical and engraving point of view and in its beautiful origin & character, it is a distinctive variety of work yet.

I owe the Hamilton Wedding Mss. I've received for 2 weeks; they are interesting as showing how the girls sings found appearance, which is the only real point in the book.

I have received number of copies of Lowell from Mr. Ticknor, but he is too busy to permit that it was Mrs. Greene.

Could you spare me a little bit of your new Children's?

I have from Miss Wormley which was lovely, but it was not quite original. It's going in my little frame, and the mount is just in the beginning of getting worn, so I can use it quite freely. I received it at Mr. C. C.'s dinner.

I expect to meet in a few weeks a quantity of proofs of Illustrations received at England; I am last there early, early down with. Would it pay you to send some more if you can take price? In Europe when it is the commencement of Jan. & May, there is very little demand for the opens.

Charlotte, Vermont.
Nov. 5th, 1899.

My Dear Mr. Davenport

[illegible]
most opportunely and the people
generally [illegible] are now in this
way of [illegible] the [illegible]
character of Congress. [illegible]
[illegible] more than I would
for some [illegible] not [illegible]
[illegible] I am [illegible] you [illegible]
[illegible] a short letter for the [illegible]
anything [illegible] in [illegible]
[illegible], you [illegible]
[illegible] up; the order for this [illegible]
which I am [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] all. If [illegible] I [illegible]
[illegible] what is the [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

I am really distressed by the fear that it was my language for the person which caused you to express yourself such harsh to me in your letter. Will you tell me if you could see anything in that way?

I enclose such [illegible] of my [illegible] Wordsworth or a [illegible] course, after you expressed to the [illegible] I [illegible] [illegible] more work of this from my acquaintance, Mr. A. [illegible] Rivers being [illegible] [illegible] it is too bad to give the poems, as the poems die down in [illegible]. But as I do, I am [illegible] [illegible] [illegible].

I am glad you will drive me [illegible] Pittsburgh visiting and Northfield. I send a little spring [illegible] [illegible] to [illegible] for any other [illegible] [illegible] for me.

Yours sincerely, W. G. Ferguson.

attracts us; we would like to go up as far as Lake St. John; but there is a limit to our time, and there is a limit to human strength; two weeks of such toil we can accomplish, no more to be tried. I earnestly hope I will be spared the telling of another tale of mortifying defeat.

Think of the ferns we should find on the cliffs of the Saguenay, and believe me

Your faithful friend,

C. G. Pringle.

Charlotte, Vermont.
April, 20, 1899.

My Dear Friend;

Your kind letter of Jan. 12th, which elicited for you fresh sympathy on account of your new sorrow, has too long lain unanswered on my table, which I have been straining every nerve to discharge my duties toward my correspondents, and accomplish the large amount of herbarium-work that falls upon my hands. Since winter began, I have worked almost incessantly for some fifteen hours a day, until I feel so tired. Spring has now at last come, and invalids are out into the fields again; but I obey reluctantly, when I need two months more to put up the plants already on hand.

accept my thanks for a copy of your Hist. Cat., and my congratulations upon your success. I rejoice in all your achievements, and am deeply thankful that you can find in botany so much relief from toil and grief. I reflect how much pleasure you are giving others also; and sincerely hope you may go on in the way of peace and usefulness, and your path may yet be brighter and free from trouble.

Last fall I began a correspondence with Chas. Jas. Sprague of your city and the collecting and studying of lichens under his care; and though not the present season lichens are still a special object of search with me. On opportunity offers I search over the old stone-walls, fences, etc., in this vicinity with great interest; and feel sure it is early to see St. [illegible] for alpine species. Mr. C. C. Frost was elected an [illegible] carry on together the study of all cryptogamic plants, and was also in hand done, so near the ground again and gone; but I greatly enjoy finding fresh interest in my old haunts, which had become familiar and tame.

You will let me talk on about myself and tell you how I purpose cruising again into Lower Canada this summer. I expect my friend Prof. E. Brainard to accompany me. Though we miss it go through with an exploration after St. Francis River of northern Maine and go down the cross-country [illegible] as far as practicable, it is the Saguenay with its wonderful cliffs I have most

Charlotte, V.C.

Jan., 25, 1880.

My Dear Mr. Dannenberg:

Since the receipt of your New Year's greeting I have been struggling through the distribution of my plants, and have just received you, having put up the Aquilegia fragrans and Rhodotia hypericoides. (of this last I put only two) which I intend, if you do not countermand it, ~~[illegible]~~ take one of my specimens of B. [illegible], [illegible], I shall [illegible] both.

It is the same story with me this winter, — great pressure of work. I have a good deal of work on my hands now, that cannot by any of my Canton opportunities; and I have hardly begun the unwinding of my plants.

Hoping your health is better, and that all good will attend you, I am, very faithfully,

C. G. Pringle.

all this country is wonderful to me; and despite the drawbacks to comfort and the hardships of my work, I enjoy myself pretty. In Arizona I have nothing to fear from Indians.

Please remember me to my kind friends the Faxons and Mr. Robinson; it is in my heart to write them, but in my race with this rich and swiftly changing flora, I can hardly write a letter.

Yours faithfully,

C. G. Pringle.

Tucson, Arizona.

April 26, 1881.

My Dear Mr. Davenport,

I have not forgotten your kind interest in my journey nor my promise to send you specimens of the ferns which I met with. These I send in a little parcel by the same mail with this. I number them, and will thank you to give me their names; some of them I have determined to my satisfaction; the remainder I have not had time to study at all; and they are such as I have never seen before. You may label them all "Santa Catalina Mts., Arizona, April, 1881."

It is three weeks today since I reached Arizona, and this city; and the most of this time I have spent about the Sta. Catalina Mts. I found vegetation

as advanced as my arrival here April 5th, as it is with us by the middle of June; so you may believe I have been kept desperately busy trying to secure everything. And I have succeeded well, for I have already more than 100 species for my collection, — my aim, I mean, — not counting a large number of miscellaneous plants, phanerogams and cryptogams.

Shortly I propose starting for the Santa Rita Mts., and the Sonoita Valley. Mr. & Mrs. Lemmon are in this vicinity, but we have not yet succeeded in meeting. These regions are a vast field for botanical exploration; no one man can examine thoroughly more than a corner of one of these territories in a single season.

I am pretty small prepared for work having brought a two horse team and covered wagon and hired besides the assistant brought with me from home a man acquainted with the country and with the Mexican dialect, to serve as driver, cook, etc. He keeps the camp, while my assistant and I range the mountains and gather in the plants, and he does the most of drying of the plants.

This season is an unusually dry one even for arid Arizona; for some time I found the ferns shriveled almost past recognition. A few showers occurred last week, however, and then they unrolled; I am not collecting them largely as yet, because I think I can get better specimens after the July showers begin, and the young fronds come to maturity.

I have rooms here in Tucson for stores, etc., and expect to make this my headquarters for some time to come. It is a strange mud-walled city of 10,000 inhabitants, Americans, Mexicans, Indians, Chinese, Africans, Europeans, etc.

could cover much more ground, and he was all the while talking about my getting new species in advance of him, and inquiring over it, envious of my strength, my outfit, opportunities, &c. Some things I shared with him and he begged two specimens of a number of such things as he had not found. On return he gave me but a single specimen that was acceptable; he forced upon me some specimens of a common plant, half ripened fruit, which I threw away and have since replaced with a full complement of mature specimens. Many plants of my large collection of which I made 25 or more as fine specimens as possible, he also got this year for the first time, sometimes mere scraps, sometimes good specimens, whether earlier than I cannot always be told, for he does not date anything; now all these (perhaps even the specimens he drew from me,) I am sure he is sending off to Mr. Watson, and others in order to get them named, if new,

Pueblo
Sunnyside
March 1st 1881

Pueblo, Arizona.
June 19th, 1881.

Dear Mr. Davenport.

You say that you "have a characteristic letter from Lemmon". I will show to you other characteristics of him which his writing to you, as he does, reveals to me. I am a little afraid by his conduct, but before this I did not think of rehearsing to you my complaints, as I will now do.

Lemmon's ruling passion is a crazy desire to find new species and get them named after himself or his friends. Last year he came into the comparatively new field of these Sta. Catalina Mts. and found several new species, three of which were named after him. He wanted to

keep the field to himself until he could fully explore it; and, when he found me here this spring, he was very jealous of me. I was in the South canons of the mountains, where he botanized last year; so he and his wife soon went around to the north side, where they came in from there, we met in Tucson. They had R.R. passes, little else, — little money; I had a team and a good bank account. They tried to saddle themselves upon me, but I felt cautious; I wished to treat them well, however, and took them to the Sta. Catalinas once or twice. We were together, when he got this Woodsia for and. We were following up a canon; at one time I was considerably in the lead; I came to a deep and shady gorge which contained a waterfall; in a crevice of one of its damp walls I found a fern I had never seen growing (Aspidium pectinum;) I was bending over it, when Lemmon entered the drill; his manner on my announcement of strange ferns became excited, and he crowded hastily past me and began plucking from the wall all the specimens of this Woodsia he could find, putting them up before me (as it was windy, I gave him a little assistance,) and not allowing me to get a single frond; when he was done with this species, he struck his pick (he always carried a light pickaxe,) into the row of A. pectinum from which I had got but a single specimen (crozier,) and began appropriating the roots for his trade, without asking me (until afterward) if I had all I wanted. I was pained not so much at the loss of a just share of the ferns, as at the explication of selfishness in one whom I had thought despite some eccentricities a pleasant botanizing companion.

All the rest turned out like this in the end. I was strange there he, and

condition of vegetation is most wretched.

I am assured that we may expect rain after a few weeks, which will revive everything. The past few days I have been about the south side of the Isle. Catalinos only to find that they had joined with the heat a new terror. The caves were heated like a furnace and nearly all their plants were withered; their fruits only came fully to the surface here and there, and the water was so bad as to make us sick. You can not conceive how dreadful such a state of things.

You ask if Mrs. Lemmon is really very small. She is about the average height of women. A very fit mate for Lemmon, whom she calls "Lemmonia", while he always addresses her as "Amelia", which means, as he explained to my mam, "worthy of being loved."

Yours faithfully,

C. G. Pringle.

Aspidx I can supply and specimens. He magnanimously told me of our species, which he thought new, that I was entitled to the credit of its discovery, since no one else had found it. Since his return to Oakland, he has sent a letter to a Frisco paper matting a spread over his discoveries in this country in which he carefully avoids the slightest allusion to another botanist in this field, and mentions certain things found by me ~~and not seen by him at all~~ in a manner to lead one to think it was himself who saw them.

In short, though I was put on my guard by the letter of Mr. Wright which you kindly let me read, I was disappointed in Lemmon and quite disgusted over his behavior. After the trip to which I have alluded, I decided it would not be convenient to carry him and his wife about further and on longer trips; and I

think they preferred to work at a distance from me. Don't infer that we had any words when together, for we separated on most friendly terms, and they said much to say in my praise, I have been told.

More about the Woodbin; Lemmon told me that he got it last year on Mt. Graham N.E. of here and what Coban said about it. My talking to him made of your ability among ferns and telling him of you having named a n. sp. for Parish (with whom he is not on good terms and our whole news he was much excited,) was the occasion of his sending it to you; he made haste (I wonder if he did not send it before leaving here,) to do so, because he feared I might do the same, and your acumen and friendship for me might make it W. Rimpau, Dannenberg. This fern you will have received from me also, on this; for I found it in another cañon which I explored alone the day following the one on which Lemmon got it, Lemmon declaring when I left camp at sunrise, that he could not climb the mountain that day. Were it not for the shrunken likeness to W. obtusa or Arizona, which you authorities so well agree upon, I should, judging chiefly from its habits, think it quite a different species from either. It grows in wet shady nooks, very unlike the habitat of W. obtusa in Vermont; but then the climate here is so different from that of Vermont; even Pellaea atropurpurea here has to take to the margin of brooks for moisture except in time of

I would be glad to see for you the ferns you mention but now all ferns not growing in mountain brooks are so shriveled up, almost beyond recognition that I don't want to molest them. This is the third year of severe drought, and the

Portland, Oregon.

Nov., 30th, 1881.

Dear Mr. Dampsey

Your postal card of Oct., 3rd to care of Mr. Crum was forwarded me here by Prof. Perry. I have not along towards the Dakotas & Arizona felt certain that I was safely and far away from there; for I wish to be my aim to do much astonishing there in letters.

When Sergt. Sargent came into this territory, he appointed me to work for each month, that I was able to visit the Indian little time for anything; and, though I have collected a good deal of mining, the facts I have come in my way, I have not of course found anything in

wishes you [illegible] scientific interest.
I may mention that, while in N. Cal.,
I got many specimens of Coryphantha Missouriensis and in the State I have made
large gatherings of Polygonum Sawbatchi
and many of [illegible] species.

I have been nearly three months in
Oregon and Washington, but hope to leave
in a few days for San Francisco, and thence
go directly home for a few weeks at least.
Mr. Sargent will [illegible] me, on behalf
of [illegible] Society, after which I should expect to
finish the [illegible] by collecting in some
parts of the South. Though it may be some
time ere they can be distributed, I find
pleasure in laying up great treasures of
plants for [illegible]. For [illegible] series I gave
about 150 species, and my Oregon collections,
largely of arborescent species, will fill a great
large, [illegible] scattered up, as I am.

[illegible] the heart of my pleasure here
is the getting acquainted with the botanists
of the region, their [illegible] I am glad
to say that I find [illegible] quite [illegible] in
[illegible] [illegible] there some of them fine,
agreeable company. Last Sunday I passed
most pleasantly in the [illegible] of a [illegible],
some of the younger but more promising
[illegible]. I have [illegible] to send 15 you
anything strange to them. One of [illegible]
Mr. L. F. Henderson, Portland, Oregon,
Calif., Esq., and, as I suppose his name [illegible]
in the Bot. Directories, I will beg you to
get it inserted as above in Mr. Cassino's
issue. Mr. H. is a teacher in this city,
and is fitting my pupil, with the
work kept summer in the comparatively
unexplored field of S. [illegible]

Now I should like to see you and
the Hooker. Garden; it is possible that I
shall visit Boston, if I [illegible] this
winter. [illegible]

Yours faithfully
E. G. Pringle.

Charlotte, Vermont
Dec. 21, 1881.

My Dear Friend:

Home from my little
vacation journey to the Pacific Slope; only for a few days
[illegible] Saw G. Lake and Mrs
[illegible] again. I think I made
[illegible] from Portland,
Oregon. Sailed Nov. 29. Stopped
one day in San Francisco, and
saw as certainly as I - Dr. K. L.
Leff, [illegible] at Colton
with Dr. Perry and the Parish
Brethren. They are fine men.
Some things still in flux there
and the matter delightful.
Stopped a day in Tucson; there
will come in from the Cow
Counties; on the hilly forest a
Lyceum in ft. Grey in those regions
will attend up. Spent a day
with Mr. Patterson. Prepared to
[illegible] for a week or two.

Faithfully, C. G. Finney.

Mr. Geo. E. Davenport,
8 Hamilton Place,
Boston,
Mass.

Charlotte, Feb. 5, 1882.

Dear Mr. Simpson

I [illegible] just enjoying [illegible] a [illegible] letter of the 3rd. I did [illegible] the [illegible] of Cuba Editor was [illegible] [illegible] something, [illegible] September; [illegible] like [illegible] the plants growing in [illegible] [illegible] of the [illegible]

The opinions of the Secretaries were [illegible] individual. I do [illegible] to the [illegible] of the Secretaries [illegible] did not so [illegible], and will keep my eyes [illegible]. Rise [illegible] S. [illegible] will, I think, [illegible] open of the Public.

There is [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] of the impossible. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] they will [illegible] as a [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

NOTHING BUT THE ADDRESS CAN BE PLACED ON THIS SIDE.

Mr. Geo. E. Davenport,
8 Hamilton Place
Boston,
Mass.

San Diego, Cal.,

April 29, 1862.

[illegible]

[illegible] principally in Gran Cal.

[illegible] special interest to [illegible]

[illegible] the Dr. [illegible]

[illegible] the [illegible]

[illegible] Dr. P. [illegible]

[illegible] E. G. Prime, [illegible]

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Mr. Geo. E. Dampare,
6 Hamilton Place,
Boston,
Mass.

by clerks is complicated and far from a sinecure is onerous.

You may remember my impatience to get into the American Mus. I took to think of Lemuria as something there all through the season. But there are [illegible] regions as promising in the southwestern world.

I don't know when I shall see you, for I have no errand to Boston!

May I trouble you again to hand to Mr. Brett a parcel of Corals? I really don't know whether it is sufficient to address in care of "Burton", and I don't want to risk losing these valuable specimens.

Hoping you will be able with to think kindly of me, perhaps to speak of me appropriately on occasion, I remain as ever,

Yours faithfully, E. G. Pringle.

Charlotte, Vermont.
Nov., 13, 1882.

My Dear Friend;

I am home again and sooner by a month or two than I expected, when I wrote you last from S. J. Thanks to Mr. Sargent's outrageous treatment.

Ever since I declined last spring to continue there as four years longer in his service and engage on the N. Pac. Survey, I have been unable to please him. All the season he has pooh-poohed me on to an early completion of the Museum work, demonstrating impossibilities of me. He wished me to suspend in a great measure (or entirely so) my own collecting, but offered no better terms to com-

pensate me. Though I felt under obligations to my employers equal to that to the Museum, for I had been made by the terms of my engagement with Mr. Sargent to look to them for half my wages, I did this to a great extent, and expended the Museum work for my own but 33 days in the entire season. Yet I was charged with unpaid salaries, in arrears, and even, as I understand it, with a disbursement, so that a good friend of yours and mine thought are I sign. I would be justified in resigning.

But the desire to carry through to the end what I had undertaken, held me to the work. Then, when I reached Tucson and found my expected funds withheld, it became necessary, to maintain my self-respect, that I should take up the resignation and start for home directly.

I recollect saying to Mr. Robinson a year ago (perhaps two years ago,) that I should endeavor to please Mr. S.; but that he should never make me his tool. I expect him to be terribly angry with me, for a bad season; but I can give figures to vindicate myself; and, happily, there are not a few in the West who are able to satisfy what my career has been. I have had the sympathy of those with the season.

So, My Dear Friend, this year was passed without my having done much for you or your favorite branch. But let us hope that the future will more than compensate for our loss of this season, when I shall travel for my own house with unbroken

too late to proceed and write to Prescott and San Francisco to get me to keep me in the work, and hurrah on funds.

California volunteers have all the sympathy with me, and now they are preach to the boat [illegible] has "worked up the wrong passenger." Perry and Prescott in particular have known of the employer's action of my relations with him; and the former employer in strongest language to express his opinion of the treatment I had to suffer.

Please read the enclosed [illegible]. I don't know whether this Invincible is still at Livermore Falls. I am so glad to have her plant from you, and hope she can supply others.

Yours faithfully,

C. G. Prince.

Charlotte, Vermont,
Nov., 23, 1882.

My Dear Mr. Dempster,

I thank you for your generous expression of confidence in my integrity. My trouble with Mr. Sargent makes out a short and simple story, as you will see, when I can tell it to you complete. He wanted to accomplish his ends without regard to my interests generally in our agreement, and when I tried to discharge in some measure my duty to my patrons as well as that to him, he thought to bully me into servility. He withdrew funds. Then I resigned my telegraphs and started [illegible] building. He was surprised, and saw he had made a mistake, and

Charlotte, Vermont.
Dec. 9, 1882.

Dear Mr. Davenport:

Thanks for the rare fern. Opl. Californica came to me from Dr. Garber. I believe that specimens of B. matricariaefolium can yet be found in N. H. far enough to come pretty near B. ternatum.

None of the species in Eaton's Check List I lack but 13:—

Notho. sinuata
Cheil. lanuginosa
argentea
Pellaea aspera
pulchella
ternifolia
flexuosa
Pteris serrulata
Adiantum tricholepis
Asplenium cicutarium
Phegopteris calcarea
Aspidium juglandifolium
Anemia Mexicana.

but, as I have [illegible] Texas + Mex. plants and expect [illegible] of 1882, some of these will soon come to me, I am confident.

Yours fraternally, C. G. Pringle.

am willing to buy of Lemmon, if his specimens are tolerably good. We will see.

Stipes of Pellaea Brewerii are so fragile and brittle especially after drying that we can hardly sell the specimens without breaking them. I cannot use any things like them.

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Mr. Geo. L. Davenport,
8 Hamilton Place,
Boston, Mass.

Charlotte, Vt., 20, Jan., 1883.

My Dear Friend: Your letter of Dec. 6th and 18th fell of matter that is truly unfortunate since I am in the midst of my distribution of lots of stock and many large subscribers, will maybe answer to make more for me his own name. But I am getting ready to end, then write of everything, etc. I want to get my business in perfect order before I leave it again. Have patience with me; I make this half promise that I shall yet get you those Aspen farms and others. I must get to work wherever I please, wherever I can; and with the exclusive patronage I now enjoy, I feel my christened purpose may be realized. I have in view also Mr. Sargent's in mind (I have nothing of it) I have in mind Dr. Young's and to keep clear of entangling alliances. Yours truly,

C. G. Pringle.

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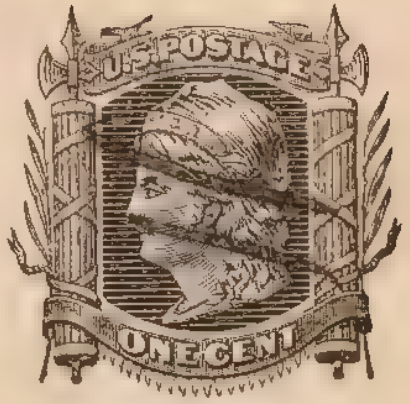

Mr. Geo. L. Dawson,
8 Hamilton Place,
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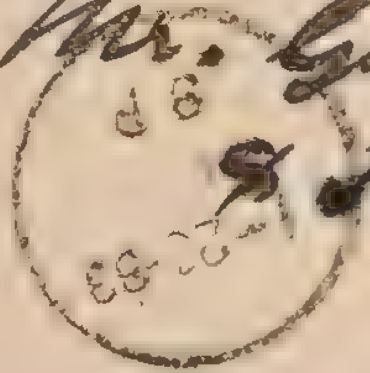

Tucson, Arizona.
24. May, 1883.

Dear Mr. Sargent:

That our earnest wishes that some fern might bear together our two names, suitable as its discoverer and sure as its author, have been realized, gives me deep joy. And I am grateful to you for the part you have borne in the matter. I knew of your belief that I should find an undescribed species, but I dared not hope that it might be done within the limits of the U.S.

Its habitat is, — base of rocks in the Sierra Tucson, a low range of dry mountains, five to ten miles west from

Tucson, whose flora bears a greater resemblance to that of the deserts and desert hills about the lower Colorado and in south-western Sonora, than to that of the Sierra Madre Mts. On these hills the fern is abundant. When I first came upon it there were but few specimens that were not shrivelled up by drought. I got 12 to 20 poor little clumps. On the 16th inst. a rain fell over this region, a rare occurrance in May; and on the second day thereafter I went out to the hills to gather specimens for my distribution. I found the fronds unrolled and green in some places; and by great pains secured some 25 satisfactory specimens. This was before I had heard from you that it might be new, certain I was new to our territory, or I am sure I should have toiled and clambered widely to get more, though suffering thirst and exhaustion.

Two days ago, after receiving your letter of the 13th, I walked out again five miles over hills and mesas covered with sharp rocks, the thermometer indicating 100° in the shade, the rocks so heated as to burn my hand; but I found not a frond that was not withered up again. I only could get a quantity of roots which I propose to take home and plant in the hope of getting more specimens from them.

I believe I shall go home for a while. Rusby has arrived at Prescott and urges me to join him. I see objections. Business at home suffers; my assistant is ill and should be taken home. The success of Jack Crook's expedition is doubtful, his very safety in doubt. I am warned to keep out of the southeastern mountains; but they must be like the Sta. Catalinas, — vegetation dormant. Yours faithfully,

C. G. Pringle.

Charlotte, Vermont.

5 June, 1883.

My dear Friend:

Bright-hot weather! Soft and odorous air for drinking, wind, and soft green sward for feet and flinty rocky cool springs and brooks and pail to feed them for dry "sandwiches."

A month or two in happiness, then I am bound to return. Dr. Parry says I can may go to Ca. in Aug. and may not, as he is firm. My last was Mr. Eaton, was it not? Continue Prince.

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Mr. Geo. E. Sawyer,
8, Hamilton Place,
Boston, Mass.

Charlotte, Vermont.
17, June, 1883.

My Dear Mr. Davenport.

Your letter of the 10th was duly received as well as your supplement and check list, for which I am really grateful; and last evening came the fern plate, kindly and thoughtfully mounted in your own way, which I shall cherish as a precious keepsake.

My advertisements in our botanical journals are of little avail; a very few small orders for selections may have been obtained in this way; but I have never sold a set, I think, thereby. I did not suppose but you got many orders, however.

I am interested and pleased to hear of the new fungus ~~of~~ on Chetlantus Pringlei.

You must have more specimens of the fern, and I send them; later I hope to have more for you, and better expanded specimens.

I am anxious about your health and about your very life. Can't you come to Vermont for a change and rest? Is it not possible for you to ratify my wish, for ten years cherished, that I might have you here to show you the homes of our rarer ferns?

I am too tired today to write much, for I am toiling on the farm, trying to repair some of the neglect incident upon my absence during the two past seasons.

Yours faithfully,

Cyrus G. Pringle.

Charlotte, Vt., 15, Aug., 1893

Dear Mr. Sanborn,

Dr. Parry was sick with a malarial fever, and took to his up the Colo. trip. Then I turned again towards Arizona; but I am disappointed not being able to find up some money to offer at Eureka for this year. Could not find a good situation, the hopeful possibilities of Southeastern Arizona don't seem to shine; and also in view of these facts I thought of (as course always tempered by the deepest state of my purse,) the fact and children of my brother were sick, that I took to stop talking about going. I have thought of visiting Boston and Maine (Mt. Katahdin), but am too much discouraged and too doubtful for even that! I would have started for Eureka this week had I discovered good company. Can't get up enough to undertake alone as work trip. If you thought you could find Capitalists interested, you could you make an offering to write me? Do say so pray?

Yours truly,

C. G. Pringle.

POSTAL CARD.

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Mr. Geo. E. Davenport,
8, Hamilton Place,
Boston, Mass.

Charlotte, Vt.
12, July, 1883.

Dear Mr. Sargent, I have waited and looked in vain for your coming; and fear you may be ill.

I have accepted Dr. Parry's invitation to join him during August and September on a botanical journey through the southern and western parts of Colorado, new ground. I don't give up Arizona. Dr. Parry writes that Lemmon will hardly botanize much more, doubtful if he goes to Arizona or not.

Yours truly, C. G. Pringle.

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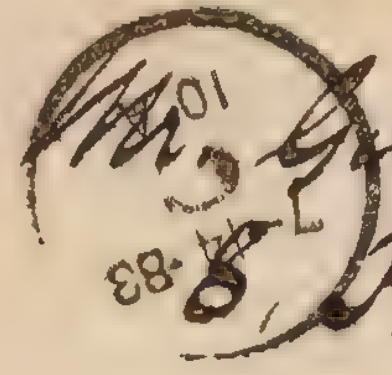

Mr. Geo. E. Davenport,
8, Hamilton Place,
Boston,
Mass.

Charlotte, Vermont.
22, August 1863

Dear Mr. Davenport,

I am delighted to hear that you are to have a vacation. I really think a visit to Vermont will afford you more advantage than one to Mt. Katahdin. You will be in their home and gather for more of your favorite. A trip thither would be far less a drawing-room affair for you. Now it has so long been your wish to come this way, a visit to Vermont comes first in order.

Trust me to have work for you meanwhile. You will write the morning after Monday, that

to Charlotte in Hartland & stage our station about 5 P.M., and if you don't see me, come to East Charlotte with our mail-wagon.

Now may I beg you to do me a favor. On my travels I see so many strange scenes and curious objects, so many interesting plants and the whole picture I am, that I have been thinking of buying a portable camera, and I can't give up the idea. Last week in I enquired into the Blair Telegraph, was answered from the office (471 Tremont St.) that it was just the thing. In "Science" for June 1, Moses King, Publisher, assures of the trustworthiness of the firm. So I have decided to send you $25 and beg you to visit the Blair Telegraph

Co. before coming; and, if you are satisfied that there is a portable dry plate Camera which I can use safely to bring one and bring with you.

I would not think of developing the plates, but to put them into the hands of a photographer.

I would like to take photographs, the size of a dozen stereoscopic views and suppose one carrying 5x8 inch plates preferable.

Perhaps you will be able to receive and the Blair people to lend or give some instructions, to enable you to work the machine, when you and I get away over mountains.

If you don't approve, don't feel bound to purchase anything. Of course I don't care for "elaborate nickel mounting" and "best mahogany," but I want a good Camera, and if you can get

money enough will stand more expense. They have made some improvements since last winter; or this "Polaire Combination Camera" may be better than the Jos. Zagelle.

Just took note, I think, a camera made by Seville, N.Y.

Pardon me for the liberty I took in making this request, but I hope you can be persuading which will add to the pleasure I am anticipating for us.

Most disappointed

Yours truly

C. G. Bunge

Come as soon as you can give me all your vacation, if I can succeed in entertaining you.

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Charlotte, Vt.
30, Sept., 1883.

Dear Mr. Davenport:

I am glad to hear from you by your welcome letter of the 25th, that you have had so good success in photography.

I have put up & send to the express office at the first opportunity the tripod (I had the other will pack better,) and enclose herewith the $6. you send to cover expenses of exchange, etc.

Don't send back the camera, etc., until you have taken all the views you would like to have; for I am doing nothing else than pitch pegs nowadays. Jimmy and I have been out every day work since you left (excepting two rainy days) and

have secured about 100 bushels of grapes already.

Parsons is to be married Oct. 3rd in Newark, N. J. You may expect to receive a call from him on the 8th or 9th. I trust my poor friend is getting one of the best of wives.

I am deeply grateful to you for bearing in mind my unhappy situation. I had a selfish interest in your proposed visit to Mr. Piper, being in hopes my two dear friends would hold a council over my case, and thereafter shed on me a ray of hope.

But I do want to undertake another botanical journey. Do you notice that the yellow fever adds another terror to the west coast of Sonora, where I have wanted to belong my season in Feb.?

Yours sincerely,

C. G. Pringle.

Charlotte, Vt.
26. Oct., 1883.

Dear Mr. Davenport,

I send back Lemmon's letter, which I have read with interest. It seems he did again visit the Arachuca Mts. and his "Conservatory Cañon"; and that he proposes to explore some "unknown mountain range" next year. It may be that he takes a clew from our new chrisolantus, and wants to get among the desert Mts. ~~&~~ ~~to~~ southwest from Tucson, as I do.

I have two copious letters from Busby, now in Franklin, N.J. [illegible] the circumstances his success was poor, 400 species for his debt, and many [illegible] will collect no more in the west, but intends to travel "in other lands" in [illegible] of medicinal plants.

your success in photography leads me to hope that I can succeed.

I may wish to leave early next month, after which I shall be confined at home by chores; but if the camera comes before we leave, I shall endeavor to go again to Smuggler's Notch to photograph its peculiar scenery. Have you noticed the article "Vacation in Vermont" in the last number of Harper with illustrations of Mt. Mansfield and Smuggler's Notch?

Yours faithfully,

C. G. Pinfs.

this single lens, to replace the one now here, I want one of first-class efficiency, — no more; for I must not waste money of fancy accessories.

Would this nice box you have provided hold a '76 camera and lenses, etc., or would it be best — to get a canvas case, or, perhaps as better for packing in a trunk with heavy articles, a larger box?

If you will please enquire what would be the expense of say, —

'76 Camera + (Case?) + say 4 "Fairy" or "New Style" holders,

Pair of Stereoscopic lenses +

Morrison or Darlot lens

I will consider the matter of a purchase.

You are right, one of these holders does not shut close into the camera, (never has, I believe,) and springs out. I have tried to hold it close.

(Rusby has sent me 12 very good and interesting views.)

Charlotte, 31, Dec. 1883.

My Dear Mr. Davenport:

I still adhere to my wish to have you enjoy photography after you have got so you are capable of doing so.

When abroad certainly, and whenever at home intensely busy with distributions and herbarium work scarcely less, it will be impracticable for me to develop my plates and print. You would find some pleasure in doing so, will probably have the time, and are handy to chemical and other supplies. Then, if there is any sale for views, you can effect it, to an extent sufficient to pay for materials at least, let us hope, so that after the first outlay, the business

will not be an expense to us. The plates can come here with my plants from time to time, and be sent right on to you.

I think my funds will admit of my getting a new outfit - with all advantages, and turning over to you this camera and lens and one or two holders. I would not ask you to pay me anything for these. If some time you are able to do so as well as not, and I need money, you may pay what you think just. But I have no idea of the market value of the assistance you are rendering me (you have been paying out money for aught I know,) or of the work I am asking from you by my proposition. I should think you might convince your conscience that you will be paying for these things in work.

I open Scovill's Catalogue. Has the Blair Co. perpetrated a better camera than Scovill's No 203, or '76 Camera?

I do want a swing back, and a front-board for taking stereoscopic views; and, then, a hinged ground-glass plate is preferable.

Will you kindly enquire and advise about lenses. Will there not be less chance for failure with an instantaneous drop? Would not a metal drop be less likely to get disabled than a wood drop? Would instantaneous plates be more expensive? For stereoscopic work would "Imitation Dallmeyer" matched lenses at $17. be as good as any or good enough? Or would a pair of Scovill's "Perfect", $25 be use? Are the Morrison Group lenses, (B = $40; C = $50; CC = $70,) much superior, and how, to the Darlot lenses? These seem to have wood drops. Of course for

further (how I must pester you in this matter!) will a '76 Camera set upright? I must have such an one.

I am glad to hear by your note of the 28th that the last plates are pretty well exposed. I had so little faith in "lightning" exposures that I probably erred on the other hand.

I am not surprised at the intelligence of the death of your mother; with you I rejoice that you could so dutifully and tenderly care for her in her last years of infirmity.

My daughter ~~was~~ spent many weeks within 20 miles of here, without writing me, and amid such surroundings (under such oversight, I believe I may say) that I could not think of visiting her. I heard that she and her mother were going to Boston, and a hope arose that through some good friend I might

put a letter into her hand; but I was surprised that an avenue of communication with her should so soon be opened to you. I beg you not to let it be lost or closed by reason of suspicions aroused in her mother. How I wish you might meet my daughter and disabuse her mind of the false notions concerning me, which have been assiduously implanted in it. At least (as it seems to me,) you can through your sister convey into her own hand a letter from me.

Now I am glad that I told you so truly and fully my feelings toward my poor daughter. I have very little hope of enjoying her society, while her mother lives. It may be best that we should not meet; I want her to know that I have cherished a father's love and that there are good people, who love me, as they understand me.

Yours truly, C. G. Pringle.

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Charlotte, Vermont.
19. Jan. 1884.

Dear Mr. Bonnyman,

First getting out of the woods of my mid-winter fortune. Next preparations for my Mexican journey, both in anticipation about my safety, & will then provide with the means for my trip in safety.

Upon receipt of the money I will kindly. But what work do worthy men I really do. Oh, I must go, if it be not the way of my duty.

After I get some money, I shall want it in pittings or gold coppy

of dry plates. I have some 25 of Allen [illegible].

You must tell me what I ought to pay you for expense and labor in this line during the past two year.

I will try to get good negatives of trees and plants (with some canon views) and when we get say 50 or 100 fine photographs of the superb trees and plants we might send to botanists a list and perhaps pay expenses of printing etc. I don't expect to make anything out of this; but now I have my camera I wish to secure some photographs to please myself — friends if no more. Mr. C. S. Sargent writes that it would greatly help his work if I could photograph palm flowers life size or more. With another lens might not I do this? Lastly I desire that he and Prof. [illegible] may have a good print of [illegible]

and some of the others oaks and cacti.

Have you heard of the failure of my friend B. K. Bliss of N. Y.? I lose some money by him which I have been depending upon as a reserve against need or trouble; but I believe I have in view from my collections and business with Mr. Horsfield sufficient funds for a long journey.

I ought to write kind Mr. [illegible] a good letter; but who ever heard of a botanist doing such a thing while making his distributions?

My hope has been to get on my way early in Feb., but how much yet to be done!

Yours faithfully C. G. Pringle.

Charlotte, Vermont
11, Feb., 1884.

Dear Mr. Davenport,

I hasten to remit the balance, $10.38 you wrote.

Friday I spent several hours most pleasantly making myself familiar with the new photo. outfit. Thanks to your careful directions I had no trouble in doing so. I am charmed with the outfit; I should think I might do all I wish with it.

I hope you will receive back your first love, and find much more happiness with it. I fancy I shall not often use the pair of lenses. With this Darlot W. A. you make capital pictures. I only hope I can approximate to your excellence. Your ingenuity will easily prevent the leakage of light on the right-end. I have thought strips of black velvet

paste in the right place would do it. While waiting for a chance to send it to the Ex. Office I may take a few views, and send to you in the small holder, to be developed. If so please print two or three pictures and send here to my name.

I am now waiting for Harry to come back from Canada and take charge of affairs.

I now think (as I hear that vegetation in S. Arizona owing to a mild winter is more advanced than I supposed, and as Dr. Gray hopes later to secure for me passes to help me around the Mex. R.R.) I should go right to Tucson and travel first through the warm low desert country to the S.W. Yours pathfully and faithfully,

C. G. Pringle.

Charlotte, Vermont.
21, Feb., 1884.

Dear Mr. Davenport,

I have sent to the express office your camera and tripod in two parcels.

Don't give yourself any anxiety about payment. I don't want you to pay in cash. I would have kept the Darlot W. A. lens, whose use I had learned, had I not been desirous that you should enjoy so fruitful a source of pleasure. I hope you can again do this as fully as you did last fall; and I trust you will not find it an expensive pastime.

I have lately had misgivings lest I was asking too much of you in depending on you to keep

and the two I would upon please send me each to Fred. = Fred. A. Hosford.

I must say I don't feel so confident of my ability to manage successfully the new Camera as I would like to. So many diaphrams may prove a snare to me.

Hoping you and Laura are now recovered from your misfortunes, and wishing you and yours every blessing, I bid you another goodbye, and remain faithfully,

C. G. Pringle.

my plates. If so, set it down to my ignorance of the expense of this in time and money, and depend upon it I am impositions.

I have tried developing two plates, but am quite at a loss to know if I have been successful. To do this seems easy enough; yet as I look into the art I am alarmed (in view of the abundant work already required of me) from undertaking to learn all its niceties and to acquire skill and judgment in its operations.

With Tucson as my base for a while at least I shall hope to get a photographer to develop a few of my first plates and give me rules for timing. Also I have a hope that I can send to you in a package of films two or three plates. I would like to go first for Chiricahua Pinaple, and at the same time secure for you a view of its habitat.

You may be surprised that I am not away on this. I was actually ready to start on the 11th, when my good assistant, whom I had had in training all winter, quite contrary to all expectation chose matrimony rather than travel. So I have had to find and get ready another.

Now I hope to be off on the 20th. I expect to stop with Dr. Parry a day or two. Possibly he may influence my course, but I now think I shall go right to Tucson. I want to make a journey through the southwest region which last spring gave me three n. sp.

I think you will hear from me next at Sacramento.

My daughter is still in Vermont but under surveillance.

In the holders you will find 4 plates to be developed for specimens for my experiment. If you can get good pictures from these

Charlotte, Vt.,

26, Feb., 1884.

My Dear Friend, your post-card of 23 is received. My sympathy and is with you, and earnest hope that your family may all come through this afflictive safely.

A great joy! I spent the day yesterday with my daughter, not seen since 12 years! She is a dear and lovely girl. She went so with her mother to reinforce Dr. Cullis, Faith Doctor, Boston Highlands. I have given her your address, and hope you can meet, and that she may obtain a fuller knowledge of our father through your kindness. I expect to be on my way tomorrow. I dread a little the breaking off. Hope I may return.

Yours faithfully,

Phoebe.

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Mr. Geo. E. Thompson,
8 Hamilton Place,
Boston, Mass.

Davenport, Iowa.
2. March. 1884.

Dear Mr. Davenport;

I was agreeably surprised to find here last evening your kind letter of Feb. 18th and was very glad to be allowed to say our children are out of danger from the fever.

Yes I did transfer the plates with my own hands from the old dwellings. I transfer me from and light safe. I feel sure that the negatives and pictures I am bringing with me are safe & sound. Will before you decide about consulting a photographer in Tucson, thanks. Am not surprised that my developed plates got "fogged", so careless.

I am passing a day or two most pleasantly in the hospitable and home of Prof. A. Parry. Expect to start on tomorrow evening for Tucson, where I am glad to know I may expect soon to hear from you again.

Yours faithfully,
C. G. Trimble.

Tucson, Arizona, (Box [illegible])
16, March, 1884.

Dear Mr. Davenport,

Your second letter to me in care of Dr. Parry was received just as I was leaving Davenport. I think the likeness of my friend (the two interior views) perfect, and shall be delighted if you can make some fine pictures from my exposures, as the two ladies are invalids, scarcely leaving home, and I intended to give them a pleasure.

The hints sent here by post-card I am trying to profit by. I have next my room here a dark closet, and, as I manage, have no idea that light can injure my plates.

I have made two or three exposures, and shall try to get the plates safely to you in a package of present forms.* in the text.

The photographer here says it would take an entire day, and a fresh and full stock of chemicals for him to prepare himself to advise me. The trouble and expense deters me from employing him. So I try this little piece of smuggling. Oh, if you can only see the scenes which I saw on the ground glass!

I reached here on the 7th, jumping out of February in Vermont into June (in Arizona.) Thermometer often 80° and all the country green and flowery. Abundant rains, still continuing, are making this such a season for verdure as Arizona has not seen for years. Stars already begun coming.

I have bought a span of horses and a large spring wagon with a white canvas cover in which we can keep cool and dry and travel with ease. My hopes of success are high.

Am getting ready to travel southwest, where reputation is more advanced, and hope to get into Mexico. If I could only get so far as the Gulf of Cal.!

Will not expose many plates till I hear from them on my return here.

A beautiful and loving letter from my daughter, who has visited my home, thrills me with strange emotions. Will patience, really, have its reward?

Peace reigns among all the Apaches.

Faithfully,

C. G. Pringle.

* Some kind for ballast etc. in case they [illegible]

(with photographs) of March 5th to 26th, and I received your letter of March 24th. I have prepared a lot of Arizona views. Sorry I over-exposed; but I came too quick enough. From a kind letter from Mr. Higginson I understand that he gets some idea of Arizona mountains from my photographs. Similar Pringle is in the low mountains called Sierra Tucson five miles west of town; the Sta. Catalina Mts. are a dozen miles north-east from Tucson. Sorry I over-exposed, because I exposed 8 plates on my Mexican trip. Will do the P. M. and arrange to send them by mail, if possible. Was misled by Spaulding's "5 second."

I sometimes feel troubled in conscience when I consider how much trouble I am making you in this. More soon again.

Yours faithfully,

C. G. Pringle.

Tucson, Arizona.

17. April, 1884.

My Dear Friend,

I am back again from my first journey into Sonora; it was a long trip, occupying nearly four weeks, during which time I travelled nearly 800 miles. Not a single unpleasant occurrence to mar the pleasure of the trip; — only this; that is a very dry country (Western Sonora) and in the region near the Gulf of California watering places were 15 or 20 miles apart and grass so scarce that I had to hurry past some good botanizing places, particularly upon the desert plains. I reached the coast at a point some 90 miles south-west from Altar; and there

nothing was growing amongst the rocks and sand-hills upon which my horses could feed, so I had to return (too fast growing work) inland after a week's stay. This you may be sure was a grief to me. Oh, it is a fearful country to travel, yet missing men there, who hospitably entertained me as I passed thru, amazed me that so verdant a spring as the present had never been known to them since their stay there.

Well I brought home a big trunk full of choice plants, some of which I am confident will be found undescribed. Ferns? No; on those sun-burnt mountains of W. Sonora I saw only two ferns, Notha. Standleri and Sinuata. I will not say that no others grow there; a thorough search might reveal others.

But on my way back I spent three or four days among the Bavispe mts. just on this side the Boundary, and there were many ferns, including a Pellaea which may be P. ternifolia, (I do not know that species,) though I think to see anything fine grows about it, and a Notholaena with fronds too narrow to stand for N. dealbata. I will enclose bits this time. — With the plants.

I want to return and make a long trip along the Boundary westward, and will probably start the first of next month.

Just now I am on the point of driving over to the Sta. Catalina Mts., where I hope to find Will. Parish, who has come to botanize Arizona this summer.

You will see dear Dr. Parry in a few weeks, as he soon goes east, France in June to Europe.

This morning I got your letters

Postscript.

The postmaster tells me he will take the plates, if put up so they cannot break; so I send the 8 taken on my Mexican trip and one just taken (Santa Catalina Mts. from Tucson) as before,) in accordance with your advice.

Now I hope you can make good negatives from these Mexican plates! Especially Nos. 3 and 4. Yet they were timed by the same footy ~~[illegible]~~ as before.

The officials at the Custom House on the Mexican border were so courteous and kind, permitting me to enter Mexico free that I betrayed myself of photographing the Custom House (Aduana) as a slight return. They were pretty pleased. Their homes and friends are, I suppose in some far-off Mexican City (the capital I think,) and views 15 and 16 their friends would be most highly pleased. If you can make

[illegible] pictures, please mail 6
to Señor Don Enrique Ochoa,
(Adriana,) Sasabi,
Sonora, Mexico.

So at the San Felix Mine I experienced so much kindness at the hands of the resident proprietor, a gentleman from Chicago, that I tried for a view of the house. (He told me his friends had asked him for one a pencil sketch of the house he lives in.) If you can make anything of the photo (No. 4,) please send 6 to

X Wm. S. Sturges, Esq., Tucson, Arizona.

I hope for some of these, because some were exposed under a cloudy sky, or towards evening. One, No. 8, was with drop-shutter on account of wind swaying the trees.

Well, I trust these will reach you safely. And now I can go ahead for visits more intelligently.

Pringle.

from Babiquivari Mts, was not scarce. So tell me if it is new, or anything but P. floryana.

Then I found where I take to be North. Arizonicum, a Chrysanthes which I thought looked like Ch. lanuginosa, and another which I hope is your Ch. villosa; if not it must be Ch. myriophylla, true, as it has clustered root stocks. Them specimens of this and one each of the two former you will find in one of the boxes of plants.

Now I will go on photographing with better confidence, exposing for good views and giving one or two seconds longer time.

I do want to go back to the Santa Ritas (main mountains) but it is almost June, and I ought to be north.

Address still Tucson (to be forwarded if gone). Yours faithfully, C. G. Pringle.

Tucson, Arizona.
24, May, 1884.

Dear Mr. Davenport,

Coming in from a two weeks trip to the Santa Ritas, I found last evening your letter of the 7th with proofs, and your card of the 9th.

I am greatly pleased and encouraged that you succeeded in getting so good pictures from my Mexican plates. I am delighted with that of the Sasabi Custom House and shall not fear to visit there again. Of the white covered wagon is mine; you will see it come out on my plates now and again. It is my home on wheels.

I do want to travel again

in Sonora after the summer rains, but it is doubtful if I do this year. And as the San Felix House is more than 200 miles from here, it is not likely I can try again. So I will buy you to make a few prints for Mr. Sturges; they will at least be better than the pencil sketch his friends asked him for.

What species is the giant cactus? you ask. That is a question that disturbs my mind much; and tremblingly I hope it may be a n. sp. I have asked Dr. Parry to look it up. He will be calling on you about these days, I trust, and asking to be shown this picture.

But what trouble I must be making you. Now I have 20 plates, which are underlined, I fear. But I send them all off to you in three boxes as before. I will buy you to make two or three prints of the two called "Sullivan family" and "Sullivan House", if you can get tolerable ones and mail to Mrs. Wm. O. Sullivan, Tucson, Arizona, and 6 to 12 prints of the Miners Camp in the Santa Ritas" and send to J. V. Weight, Tucson; Mr. W. was kind to us and gave us beef, when our provisions were about out.

About these mines in the foot-hills of the Santa Ritas I found myself in the midst of a rich flora, so I did not get to the main mountains for which I started.

Found the Hotel. mines abandoned but connected but little as it was mostly dry and I was under the impression it was going under N. duck bates, which I did not care to get into my acts. The Pellidea and

"on the common botanizing ground of Arizona," as he wrote at first.

I am really sorry for him; and have been not a little embarrassed as I say.

Should Mr. Parry call on you after you get this, I would be glad to have him read it.

Well, I must get north soon. But there is the fall flora, which I have for three years longed to work upon. And it has been Mr. Hepburn's plan to return to Cal. by Sept. Then, if I go north, there is Hermon and wife! Well. —

Yours faithfully,
C. G. Pringle.

Tucson,
24, May, 1884.

Dear Mr. Davenport,

From the letter which I just posted I left out these memoranda slips.

I will speak of Will. Parish at this opportunity. He made a mistake, as he now sees, by going into partnership with an orthodontist. Mr. Hepburn is a man I much admire; but his business keeps him encamped in a few places (chiefly in railways) through the entire season. Mr. Parish, having invested his funds with him, must stay with him to get his living; they are not able to buy a team, or even a mule, with which the botanist can scour over the country; and Mr. Parish is dis-

inclined, I really think incapacitated for, certainly unused to making long marches, so he lies in camps, as he says, and looks longing toward the mountains so near and yet so far away. He is thoroughly discouraged, not to say demoralized, as a collector. To make his case worse he is held on ground which Clemmon and I have worked quite thoroughly. The relations between him and me have been pleasant; I have twice taken him to good fields, but he would scarcely take anything on the last trip; had given up making a distribution next winter. It pains and embarrasses me to find myself in his way. Since my acts of 1881 were exhausted I have had so many orders for them that I decided to make 20 acts to renew them as far as possible. This I began last year and had worked here more than a month this spring before I knew of his coming here. It was bad enough for me to move Exp. for another field as soon as I found him here, but my former much impeded journeys back form me a clew to many good things (other n. sp. which I had never succeeded in getting into my acts) which I have long been anxious to follow up, and I have obtained and done this with good success, at the same time finding other new or rare species and collecting again my species of 1881 and 1882. Thus practically with my superior outfit long experience here and long personal acquaintance I have headed him off, while entertaining the kindliest feelings toward him, and really trying to put him in the way of good things. I must think he knew of my being here, before he left home, and came on with a purpose of competing with me (in a friendly enough way to be sure)

FLORA OF THE PACIFIC SLOPE.

ARIZONA.

1884.

Cheilanthes myriophylla, Desv.

(True!)

Limestone ledges,

Santa Rita Mountains.

May 14.

C. G. PRINGLE.

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[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
to have their [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] on the
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible], etc.

FLORA OF THE PACIFIC SLOPE.

ARIZONA.

1884.

Gilia inconspicua, Dougl.

Baboquiverai Mountains. in Arizona

Jose Dec, but close by the Mex. [illegible]
and about 50 miles south [illegible]
[illegible] season.

April 9.

C. G. PRINGLE.

Tucson, Arizona.
18, July, 1884.

Dear Mr. Davenport,

Back from a three weeks trip among the Huachuca and other mountains, I find with pleasure your favor of June 28th with proofs of which I see that we have secured a few more good photos; the two of my dear Santa Rita Mts. I shall especially cherish. I am annoyed about the light streaks and lately have been trying carefully to avoid them. The excessive dryness of this climate has caused certain shrinkings or warpings in some of my holders.

I have now used up more than half of my plates, and

I send the Cereus into Dr. Parry's hands, for naming

Bountiful rains having waked up, which will bring out rapidly the autumn flora, with which I am little acquainted. I follow my own inclinations and Dr. Gray's wishes, and decide not to change base this season. So let me come again and take a field new to me.

I have my new genus, — Pringlephytum, Gray, an acanthacous shrub of N. Sonora, modest and neat.

I have the most friendly letter from Will Parish. He is badly broken, feels that he has lost the season, and his brother's marriage practically turns him homeless. They are kind to him but he thinks but little of them to their happiness. Am glad my daughter (alas how little mine!) is visiting you. I have been in mind that she is not yet more than half disentangled from the influences hostile to me, under which she has been reared.

I am anxious about your health.

Faithfully. C. G. Pringle

and am exposing for plants and trees making the landscape incidental as a back ground, unless I find some view or other object of special interest. Should I want more plates toward the end of the season, they might come to me in three fifty cases interval, might they not?

On the Headwaters I got a good lot of Asplenium monanthes, and found a few plants of Aspidium fuylandiifolium, securing a dozen fronds of 1883. Pellaea marginata I saw here and there coming up after its summer rest and looking much like P. gracilis. The fronds of last-year were dead.

Into the box in which I send more plates I put a specimen of an Asplenium (I got 20 specimens) to ask you if it is A. Bloomii. I at first took it for A. parvulum. Also a small frond, broken up, of an Aspid. which I strongly suspect you will call filix-mas; though, when gathering it, I was hoping I had got a A. Karwinskianum. I have over 40 good fronds of it.

I saw some dried up plants of Polypodium trichomanes.

I travelled widely over the mountains, exploring several cañons similar to Smugglers Notch, and have concluded that some of Lemmon's finds were scarce there, and that he exhausted the plants as far as he could. Do you think he got many specimens of some of them. I have sent home for his account, that I may know whether I found his "Fern Album" cañon. I want to return a month or so later and secure complete sets.

Tucson,

7, August, 1884.

Dear Friend;

I start again this morning toward Sonora, Mr. Stephens, the writer & a pistol accompanying, intending if we prosper and find grass and water (that scarcity is now every day) to be gone three weeks.

The letter promised by your last card does not come before I start.

Yours faithfully,

C. G. Pringle.

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Mr. Geo. C. Sampson
8, Hamilton Place,
Boston, Mass.

Tucson, Arizona.
24, Sept., 1884.

Dear Mr. Davenport,

I am glad to infer from your letter of the 18th, that your health is better. And it is pleasing to hear of so good success with the last plates. The most of the large cactuses about San Felix are the strange one and not C. gigantius. Mr. Stephens with one of his plates secured near San Felix a tolerably good view of a magnificent specimen of the strange cereus. But I have a plate from which I hope you will get a better one. I have some 20 plates, which have been exposed, and would send them to you, only, as I am going right home, I think best to carry them in my bag.

I intend to go home as soon as I can dispose of my team and get away. My collections are packed ready for shipment.

When I wrote you last I was starting for the Huachuca Mts., planning to round up my season pleasantly with a few more weeks of work. Finding good collecting, I travelled slowly, and before we reached the mountains my man and I had both contracted malarial fever. He took to the bed and kept it, while I struggled to defy the disease and shake it off, and get back to Tucson. It was a terrible journey of three days in weakness and suffering, but three scores in sixty miles and much of the road not travelled once a week. I barely held out to drive in. My next fever was dangerously high, 105°. A good physician soon subdued the fever; but my strength is gone. I could not do much climbing in some time; and I don't want to rely any more on my half-imbecile assistant. Fred is wanting my help at home; so I have decided to return; though I sorrow not to have got 400 species for my new list, and to have certain forms and genera especially.

Recently I have received a kind and entertaining letter from Mr. Higgins, which I have not acknowledged, because I have permitted the calls of this abundant autumn flora upon me to unstrung me—

Look to hear from me in Charlotte next.

Yours faithfully,
C. G. Pringle.

Charlotte, Vermont.

11, Oct., 1884.

My Dear Friend,

I take pleasure in sending you by mail, (Reg. Pkg.) my aneroid. I shall have no use for it this fall, I think. Open with thumb nail.

I also send with it my rubber lantern. It has served to save me from expense as our plats inverted. This was broken early in the season by the carelessness of my man, and I had to use a candle contained in a tin with P.O. power. I looks more doubtful about my visiting Boston as I shall have need to go to Canaan, and shall need to save my dollar for another journey; it may be to Mexico and city.

Yours truly,

C. G. Hine.

POSTAL CARD.

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U.S. POSTAGE ONE CENT

Mr. Geo. C. Davenport,
8, Hamilton Place,
Boston, Mass.

Charlotte, Vermont.

My dear Friend, 12, Dec., 1884.

I was surprised and delighted to receive a beautiful album of photos. You have shown excellent taste in arranging the views; and have the names all right. I have looked for your promised letter about matters. I have wrote several to dead letters, — 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 16 + 19 and for my written 1, 2, 6, 7, 8, 14, 21, 25, 27, 33B, 35, 36, 15B.

My daughter has come like a good, lovable girl to spend the winter with us. I am very glad I spent an hour in Washington to see you, and welcome the [illegible] of Dover. I have met [illegible] my [illegible] will stay in our North, May, [illegible] with my [illegible]. [illegible] the City of Lincoln [illegible] in my [illegible].

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NORTH AMERICAN

PLANTS and SEEDS.

MEMORANDUM.

To

Charlotte, Vermont, U. S. A., 27, Jan., 188[illegible]

Dear Mr. Dumpart,

Glad to hear you will send me plants for Replans and my assistant, so I can make it pleasant with them before leaving. If you have not sent to Stergis bis. please send them to. Meson specially the P.M. & Wh. would called for. Then when I hear you have done so I will write Stergis. In May be in Chicago, and if it could get them back from Sorson. But if you send all to me by express it will save you expense.

Now I wish you might go out to see Mrs Piper some Sunday (I believe she and be considerate) and take along a bunch of plants to show her. Can't you?

Yours truly C. G. Pringle

Charlotte, Vt.

31, Jan., 1885.

Dear Mr. Sumpert,

Well, I am glad to know that the Chilcoattus puzzle is solved. I hope it may be C. scariosa, a name most appropriate. It is at home only on limestone ledges, in driest situations where there is least soil "short and rigid," as you note. (I had it some with specimens to review them, and make them unroll their fronds) and in shadiest places with more earth or richer mould, taller and more lax. But it is all one species; and I trust you will have the courage to do as Walton or Fraser would do in another order. It calls for the nice points on my friends. Yes, I must write Mrs. Dr.

Yours faithfully,

C. G. Pringle.

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MEMORANDUM.

To

Charlotte, Vermont, U. S. A., 6, Feb., 1885.

Dear Mr. Davenport,

Hurrying preparations for my journey, I think of a fresh supply of "dry plates", and send you £1/5/-, begging you to order such as you think best (Carbutts Special?) sent me by express. If these are more rapid than A + B's, will 2 second suffice where I used 4? And can we "stop" at all in drop shutter exposures?

Do tell me frankly; for I don't know. Ought not I to send you a sum of money to balance for what you have done for me. Or have you hopes of realizing a little from the sale of pictures? And ought I to send my plates this year to some photographer

Sometimes I feel that I may be abusing your goodness cruelly in asking so much help from you. Unless you hope it may yet be to your advantage, do tell me, if I should not employ a photographer. You have shown your usual kindness and patience in helping me to a start; but you must not permit me to burden you too long.

The Amazid is; do tell me the cost of repairs to it, that I may repay you. It was fortunate for me that you went for it, for I might not otherwise have known it was out of order till in my journey.

Prof. Sargent may call on you to see some of our photos, since he has become interested in them.

Yours faithfully,

C. G. Pringle.

Supt. to whom Mrs. Fisher proposed
me a letter. The country I write
to Thomas is possessed of a tribe
of Indians, who regard him as
their friend and protector. They are
to be buried; and if I go under the
protection of his name, I think, I
am told by Mr. Robinson, to prevent
safe among them. I saw several of
them on his farm today, one of them
was a prisoner of a pilliage —

I have a letter of great value from
the Gov. of this State to the first Ayu-
intendente & principal villages. Along the
line of the railroad, which is manned
chiefly with American from Boston Gov
to Conductor, I find the Gen'l Manager's
letter "to all employees" gives me friendly
aid. I hope to write more at leisure,
describe a general harvest, and return
kind regards to my dear friends.

Here are bits of
the 4 specimens of
mine, Rubio gave
me, I mean Mr.
Rubio

Chihuahua, Mexico
5, April, 1885.

My dear Mr. Dascupat,

I was just one month from
home before I received a letter from
there; and one hard upon Still letters
round years of March 21st more than
usually welcome. Letters have seem to
be sent in the City of Mexico in spite
of detention by El Paso, a route two
hours shorter, and yours came through
under the 2 cent stamp, though I believe
a 5 cent stamp is required. I am sure
you can not know the pleasureness of
a letter from home or from a dear
friend until you get out of a strange
land. Mexico is a strange land —

I beg you not to be very anxious on my account. I have often over now the feeling I had on first coming into this new field and informing myself of its perils. And I not from disliked experience so many advantages and made so many friends. I don't know but I should even called it the impulse to remain here, which I felt at times. It took me a week which it put back and again to stumbling and [illegible] but I am happy that I can write these and think we will be over. I will not encounter from on the fear of the boys on account of carrying it here and there in; but I think I know now where the danger lies and can personally avoid going in its way. For the most part it comes from the miserably poor people, who with knives and stones would kill a man for a few dollars. The upper class of Mexicans as well as all Americans wear magnificent & good pistols; such that are respectable are from other of these written.

I am planning a long journey of some 500 miles along the base of the Sierra Madre and then over the south end of the State into the Sierras. For this journey I am negotiating with a fine old Spanish gentleman, who owns great estates in those regions, for an outfit of men and mules. He proposes to lend his faithful servant Pedro Ochoa, a person of his who would not dare for his life of a man have had the power of life and death over his people) to prove unfaithful to his trust. The gentleman, Senor Don Francisco Zenga is uncle (by marriage) of Mr. C.S. Robinson, the of a mining

At this season the plains and valleys show little vegetation, for it is the dry season. Whenever I come to the mountain region particularly of Wetland, I pick up a few specimens to press.

Shall other mycologists be interested here on limestone [illegible] similar to those of S. Arizona, where I found it last year. Meth. [illegible] ferruginea, [illegible] Hoffeni, [illegible] Chail. [illegible], fomentosa, [illegible] I have seen. I have found so far four [illegible] species. If I go down to Ariz. soon, I must send for a parcel.

I fear I shall not like travel by mule back; but it is a wonderful region I am to explore, and the little [illegible] so far. It must be [illegible] I think pay, seeing strange things.

Is you have heard from Jones. Give Dr. Kirk of Austin, [illegible] me

that only two of the 18 members in Rock Springs for him in Europe held (50 miserably delivered over his opinions). I thought he might be had quit drinking. May I understand that he is this year working in Arizona (Mt. Mariah?).

Miss Lawson and Bourdet intend to visit the Exposition of the U.S. Exhibition, you will doubtless be there.

I have learned from an R.R. worker on the C. & N.W. Railway that he left my parents Europe bound on March 4th, the day after my arrival here.

Accept my sincerest wishes and hope that I shall be able to be long thus here and return to pay home. Yours faithfully,

O. E. Bergh

pox being everywhere in Mexico, in one of the cities (visited by me in March) 800 people died of it during a recent month. I had abruptly left to place in the heart of the country upon its bracing ones. I knew it was common in the city of Chihuahua; but when my friend died, I began to fear I might linger there too long, and accordingly packed up quickly and came away. I hope to get my orders in time for the Eastern Division tomorrow and expect to be spending a day in visiting my friends.

Rich, poor fare, etc., will come rushing in thoughts. Hurrah, Hurrah is pelting away day. The rains expected to will bring up a new and fine flora and will probably check the contagion. Now I hope to go

El Paso, Texas,
14, June, 1885.

Dear Mr. Davenport,

I have been culpably remiss in leaving you for a long time in ignorance of my movements and in doubt concerning my safety.

It is because since the first month of my Mexican picking, I have not felt to speak of my plans, and have postponed writing from week to week, in order that I might solve my perplexities. This I have now done for the present at least, and now can definitely report morning days off.

I am on my way home, I suppose you will not praise me for the fact, as I do. I am in some measure

reluctant of myself for relinquishing my ministering, but the promise I have made to you and the rest of my friends to be careful of myself leads me cheerfully to forego my wonted work.

When I last wrote you I was planning a long journey by Indian trail through the Sierra Madre. About that time I was surprised by an attack of malarial fever, a relative of the disease prevalent in Arizona last fall. This made me postpone my trip until with the progress of the disease which I overlook was the time of year advised, except not to go beyond the reach of medical aid, if I should find myself unable to shake the fever by my exertions away far from home. The attack came with more rapidity increasing in severity and burning out my strength and courage more and more. I was not so exposed that I could till when I suspected fever, and so they usually surprised me when far from home in the mountains. A terrible afternoon I would then have of it struggling to drag myself to the ranch and get home. For a day or two I would be off again through weak. I anticipated being compelled to give up my work, and determined to accomplish as much as possible before I should give out. By the time my strength got reduced to so to give up at Guaymas, a dear friend of mine died of typhoid fever in Chihuahua, so we, in my reluctancy for Vermont. I have known of many

N.B. Report all my lectures and sermons upon Christ, regarding them as of first importance — and expand accordingly my long plates —

back for a few months after until Christmas. I think I might do it with considerable delight. I have learnt much to help me to live and labour for Christ. It is a wonderful country in some respects but what a fine field for me!

The daily sunrise scene is not the best time for prayer, scarcely will I leave it even then. They were literally up & down at beyond description, & they are the crowds every at Christ. I have been on four special occasions, for my most distinguished hearers, first time, since I wrote you frequently of Sutter. I should just like to be with them of the superintendent, and professional men in Canada. I feel sorrowful to leave our Christ, and now I have to depend more in my spiritual feeling

ago they went into my big boxes, which must be stored until on the way home.

I feel gratification over the size of the collection secured. — 1900 species in fifties for sets, and many odd species of a few specimens each, — in all 9000 or 10,000 specimens. I never a travel so hard in vain. Such rest cost, but field at this season little or nothing. It cost me much hard climbing and effort but I managed to gather 100 specimens a day. It will be more fruitful than after the rains come; then will be the time for passes, and a large collection of Mexican passes is a great object with me. As yet I have only half a dozen species for my sets. Leptinoxus (Acanthocerus, etc.) predominates in my collection.

Reading this do you despair, and fear I will bring to my information for Government collections as long as lifelasts? Well, what else am I good for? What else can take the place of this in my mind and heart? It was a great thing to explore Mexico, as I am in the way to do, and I might manage to last till I could do it pretty well.

But — I cannot bear to prove my mother's heart and cause my dear friends pain by such sacrifice of myself. Else I should not be on my way home.

It may be two or three months before I reach home, as I wish to visit friends on my way.

Loving to you, I am,

Yours faithfully,

C. G. Pringle.

over

Ex. July, 1881.

My dear [illegible]

[illegible] delay announcing my safe arrival, then I was in anguish, and since then I have been deeply occupied. I [illegible] very, very anxiously about me.

I was put to Temple into a [illegible] case of inoculation [illegible] I must consult me of the [illegible] of medicine; [illegible] I [illegible] [illegible] to my [illegible] of work. [illegible] [illegible] and I hope it [illegible] [illegible] my spring [illegible]. I [illegible] [illegible] the expectations of [illegible], and I could not [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible]

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Mr. Geo. E. Thurport,
8 Hamilton Place,
Boston, Mass.

Charlotte, Vermont.
27, July, 1885.

My dear Mr. Davenport,

Now having finished my course of medicine, which I hope to think has cleansed me of Malaria, I am on the point of returning to my work in Mexico. I feel refreshed by my rest—it will be a vacation of six weeks (by the time I can get back,) and think I can make another trip in comparative safety. My field is not a malarial country; I am somewhat acquainted with its real perils so as the better to keep clear of them; my old room and some good friends there are awaiting me; cool rains have now revived the

P.S.

My boxes not having come home yet, I am unable to send you any specimens of ferns, but you will receive them, I think in two or three weeks, as Mr. Storrs first undertakes to attend to this matter.

There is a Motholaena, which you thought might be M. nivea from the fit in your letter; but with entire plants in your hands you will see that it is a species as near M. Horkeri as it is near that species.

Then there is a very white fern with lanceolate pinnae, Hemiotis to me, and a Gymnogramme.

vegetation; and I hope to find the fall flora more abundant than the spring flora.

I shall be satisfied to pick up with only half a leaf, and hope with good season to secure before winter a collection that will merit the expectations of my numerous patrons.

As I go back for plants, I have thought best ~~not~~ to take my camera; as I must go on foot or on mule back chiefly, it is a heavy incumbrance in addition to my botanical burdens.

In Chihuahua last spring I made a few exposures of plates, which I beg you to receive by express, and with them you will find some of this vicinity. Please send a print of each to Mr. Stearns before.

Will you not write me once in a while to Chihuahua?

Yours faithfully, C. G. Pringle.

also found a fine specimen of a beautiful Bougainvillea vine with brown stripes finely decorated, which I shall have found to be only an ornament, and only a few plants there.

You did right to buy the money paid by Mr. Sargent.

By the end of this month probably I will know the time will come and most probably I will determine then yours and Sigourney's as I will not be in Boston until returning. But positively shall be home before Christmas. I shall fill our home long on which I may come if we meet with no discouragement.

Whenever I am home, I remain

Yours faithfully

C. G. Wright.

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Chihuahua, Mexico.

9, Sept, 1887.

Dear Mrs. Sargent,

I write you after a month I have spent here during which time we have received little news from home. We are well so far. No more fevers yet. It is a pleasure to be well and strong and conditions and it lies in this glorious climate and what with fresh fruit, a good protector and food. From the jolly heats of August to the heats of a Mexican August separated on this high tableland by not much. The change was decided not yet arrived. Almost daily showers, which showing but for a jolly while the daylight. Other of this region have begun to days the

air fresh. The amount of rain that has already fallen this season has been unprecedented in many years. As last year in Arizona, dry season is well known. The rocky hills are covered with a rich vegetation. I am out to gather everything desirable in this region before ~~[illegible]~~ going further. I have been kept intensely busy and am not yet near the end, tho I have 7 assistants in all for this.

I expect in the meantime and in the interest of my visit hither, they were a great amusement. While I was doing so they were to consider that I have got to do the first option which we gave me. There should have been no question tho the value upon it. And I get [illegible] not a day [illegible]

I accept my thanks for report on Mexican (& Indian) Tribes and find it arranged in new volume since of August 4th.

I do not know particularly succeeded with any remarks from me with a little of my old enthusiasm, and much too busy to fill my letters and is not after the return of the party. But these few words upon me in haste & very as I remain, yours in anything which keeps me out of the field for a single day.

I think on this you have received from I had the few lines of my first journey. Now that the rains have ceased the plant vanishes, I am here & hence the [illegible] Mentosa nor yet North Mountains. I send a specimen, the white one. It often found a few native Indians.

is unlike what I distributed last year (St. Catalina Isl., 1888) that I might put it into det.?

You were right in your conjecture that I had sent off by mistake all my stock of Chilomitra lineapoda; I am glad you can return the bundle.

All right to send to Cambridge and Kew; but both have my full det.

During the last few days of my stay in Oaxaca I appeared with 60 plates, to get stamps Mex. view, chiefly; and I can shortly dispatch to you the plates.

When I get my tickets printed, I will want to send those which bring with them specimens.

Yours faithfully,

Pringle.

Charlotte, Vermont.
23, Nov., 1888.

Dear Mr. Davenport,

Arrived home on Saturday evening in excellent health. I am looking back upon a most delightful and most successful journey, remembering with a thrill of gladness the bright skies* and the interesting flora of Mexico, and am looking forward with fond anticipations to a season in my herbarium and to pleasant converse with my friends, of which you are one of the dearest.

* I have not seen the sun since I came

In haste to get names of my plants for the printer, I have sent you today by mail the ferns of this last journey.

If I mistake not 456 is one of your "orders" of last winter. I found only one station and that yielded but 13 specimens. I sometimes regretted (almost) that I found that station, so many miles I travelled the steep rocky hills of Chihuahua searching their cliffs in vain for more. The clump was growing from black mould which had accumulated in a fissure of a cliff about a foot wide and was sheltered from direct access of rain and sunshine by a projection of rock near upper part of the fissure. I never found another place just like it; but am confident that there is a plenty of it here hidden amongst the score of miles of cliffs, which render difficult of access the summits of the mountains within view from the city of Chihuahua. There smugglers often can be matched twenty times over, and yet that is only the plateau region of Mexico. A journey of 150 miles to the west, which must be made on mule-back for half of the way, brings one amongst the Sierra Madre.

What was VI which Mr. Stafford sent you?

455, woodsia. Is it W. Mexicana? I did not get enough for sets.

Last year I must have sent you a specimen of a woodsia from Santa Rita Mts.; was it W. Mex.?

453 and 457. Is either of these

near Chilhowee, was related to anything I had met with elsewhere, certainly not to the robust Cr. leucopelta, with stouter stems. Stipes and very moderately fertile so common about crystal limestone ledges of the Smoky Buladia Mts., and not seen in the hills mentioned. Though you had made a great mistake that time, and doubled the two plants carefully whenever I met with them. I done wish to give up that the little one was a distinct species. Still I believed it a good variety, till near a bed of the little ones, and growing strong and pass out in the full sunlight I at last came upon a single plant, of which I sent you a frond. This caused me to think that I might be mistaken; and when I reached home, and ~~[illegible]~~ Say Ch. leucopelta ~~[illegible]~~ described a special peculiarity I found myself entirely so. Don't let the peculiar appearance of the specimens under you

Charlotte, Vermont.
4, Dec., 1885.

My dear Friend,

Thanks for your partial report on my ferns.

You did not mention 441 of which I enclose a frond, but I presume it is one of the things waiting for Eaton's judgment.

444. Asplenium. If habit of plant is worth anything among its characters this depends from A. Trichomanes in one direction you may not have noticed in the dried specimens. Its growth is not erect like that species, but the fronds form a mat closely appressed to the soil. During the autumn months

after the fronds of the year have fully formed under the favorable conditions of the rainy season, and when their sori are maturing, their rachis elongates above the surface of the soil, rots at the tip and sends up from that point the new fronds of the offset. The filiform extremity of the rachis, for a while a connection between the young plant and old, usually decays early the next year. It was for this reason that I long failed to notice the peculiar habit of the plant, and that few of my specimens, gathered in October, show more than the rudiments of the plantlet.

But why is not this plant as far removed from A. Trichomanes, as A. pedatum is from A. capillus? Notice the oblong pinnæ, more distinctly auriculate and acutely dentate — & sori conspicuous at maturity. Yet, if Prof. Eaton and yourself judge it to be only a variety of Asp.m Trichomanes, I am emancipated enough and have confidence enough in your judgment — to submit fully.

486. Adiantum trichoblepis L.?

Yes, you shall have the specimens you ask for. I divide my limited material to such as you and Prof. Eaton and Mr. Farn, etc. The plant was by me very lovingly carried like many grasses, — its rootstocks branching, fibrous and easily separable.

489. I was surprised, when you called this Chil. vellea lanosopsis; for it had not occurred to me this delicate little viscid plantlet, here found only in cold shade of cliffs of the canyon

negotiations of this nature I cannot buy you to make 6 – 12 of cake for them

Yours faithfully

C. G. Pringle.

cause you to waste on your first judgment. 459 is only another State of 442 (of which the whole stock was lost) which strongly resembles itself to cold stained and mossy rocks of a certain range of the Cumberland hills.

I do hope you will be able to give a good many fine photographs from my plates. Without any experience with dark slips upon Cramer's plates to guide me, I risked little in that direction; but depended upon the developing water without rubber bands to bring it down quicker, than it would naturally fall. A number of expressions were made to please my Colorado friends, from whom I had so many rides on their narrow-gage railroads up to the mines of the Santa Catalina Mts. and other valuable assistance. If you pass good

Charlotte, Vermont.

8, Dec., 1885.

My dear friend,

Your hopefulness about the plants makes me light-hearted.

And then I am confident you will be justified later in the little Asplenium.

As for the white Rotholeana I was sure that Prof. Eaton had in with me also in growing on the Santa Catalina Hills, where R. nivea was abundant, in many situations, some not very unlike that in which this grew. The face and verge of dry calcareous rocks and cliffs, I have seen it always varying in character, with a tendency of R. nivea where close by it, to approach it in appearance, would seem to me the height of putting it under the ban. I [illegible] would be [illegible] if it be not nivea it is R. [illegible] Sierra was no [illegible]

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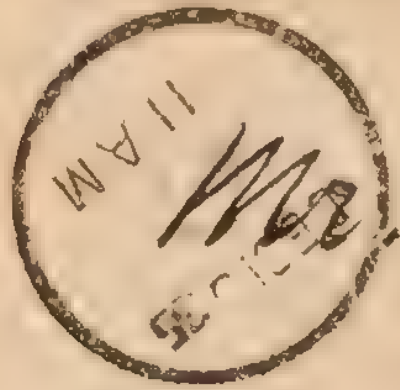

Mr. Geo. E. Davenport,
8, Hamilton Place,
Boston, Mass.

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CHOICE NOVELTIES,
NORTH AMERICAN
PLANTS AND SEEDS,

we have good view of "Bugbee" Farm for Mr. [illegible]

Charlotte, Vermont,
U. S. A.

My dear friend, 23, Dec 1885.

And now thanks for your interesting letter about photographs. Am mortified about the [illegible]. Without your position proof could hardly have believed that I failed there to draw the slide!

Glad you find a good picture of Mrs. [illegible] driving cars. I want to please the good lady who feeds us so well; so I beg you to send me 6 or 8 extra copies of the picture.

So the vines are giving you glimpses of busy life? I [illegible] in a lazy fellow and very conditions to evil; so be you always on guard in his great thoughts (scrapes) unless the contrast is better. Notice that the outer ends of the long blades of always [illegible] are [illegible] shoulder. And the "strange projections" are water-spouts to carry the rain of the earthen or enameled roofs. But you will find lots of doubtful! Yours C. G. Pringle.

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Geo. E. Freeport,
8, Hamilton Place,
Boston,
Mass.

Charlotte,

6 June, 1876.

My dear friend,

Oh, dear! I have thought from time to time of Mr. Barton and long to know if there is anything for us to do in the matter of his pleasure in particular. I think, I think you'd still give us a letter (or three) which would have power, you represent to the many, that I would be glad to be of service to you in any way I could. My prison door will not open to him, nor can the turnkeys see from the outside, or hear from the inside. But I think my appearance at the magistrate's court would have a good effect on the prisoners, and I would do it for nothing, and be glad to do it.

Good for Cincinnati! The opposition holding you down. Then the Cincinnati contribution would help the cause very always. The money must always feel wretchedly with us in this fighting — [illegible] fighting.

Yours [illegible]

Charlotte, Vermont.
22, Jan., 1886.

My dear friend,

By mail I send you a parcel of ferns, such as you were intimated a desire to have from me. Will send tickets, when [illegible] the printer.

I am interested in your efforts to [illegible] the list of these strange ferns on the right footing; hope (and believe) you will succeed.

Dr. Gray writes [illegible] I go not far beyond the ground I occupied last summer except to explore the Sierra Madre of Chihuahua. There I hope to meet with the ferns found by Lemmon in the Huachucas. Do you think it possible for me to get a few ferns [illegible] ? I don't [illegible]

I am sorry to see the Mexicans [illegible] you have been making from my [illegible]. Do you think [illegible] would be able to pay for material? But [illegible] you [illegible]? Do [illegible].

Yours faithfully,
C. G. Pringle.

Charlotte, Vermont
23, Jan., 1886.

Dear Mr. Davenport,

The views have come and have given me much pleasure. Some are beautiful. I think it is the morning exposures which you found underexposed. For that hour I might use to advantage, I am thinking, a shutter with an opening twice the length of this one. I think I can make such an one out of pasteboard or cigar-box stuff. The opening in this one I am going to enlarge as advised by you.

I see that the larger part of these views are of personal rather than general interest, and therefore

not salable. But it is no good thing to please the people who pose as so many free rides to the mountains; and I am glad to see that the most of the exposures made on their account come out good. On the enclosed slip, I indicate the numbers of copies of a few more views, which I beg you to make for them, also those of which I would like a copy for my assistant.

There are 7 negatives which I hope you will touch up, — 8a, 20, 34, 32, 23, the unidentified one in which appears (in white) head of a donkey (or mule?), and that one of boy (the Robinson boy, I think) and Mexican boy the house lighting his cigarette.

I have 4 doz. Keystone and 12 A & R. plates left. Will want a few more in point time.

I received last evening a note from Mrs. Piper informing that she had not been able to leave the house the past summer, and was pining for the woods and fields. She says she has not even heard from you. Can't you anyhow spend a day with her? I fear we shall not long have her with us. I often think I would like to visit Boston to see her, and you, and Dr. Gray, and the Jaynes; but it would take a week from my collecting season and much money which I need to save.

Yours faithfully,
C. G. Pringle.

PRINGLE & HORSFORD,
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Charlotte, Vermont, U. S. A.

My Dear Friend! 1, Feb., 1886.

I am certain that the fronds of 448 Pellaea are "annual", getting their growth, fruiting, and dying down, all within a few months; I can't just say that they "die down during winter", as that evening is so different from ours; but it amounts to that; for fronds brought up by fall rains may survive a frostless winter and fruit early, but each will surely die down after. The fronds of the old fashioned P. cordata are biennial and fruit the spring after making their growth, like all Pellaeas of similar fine texture.

441 grows 6 to 8 inches high

Your faithful Pringle.

UNITED STATES

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Mr. Geo. E. Davenport,
8, Hamilton Place,
Boston, Mass.

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Charlotte, Vermont
12, Feb., 1886.

My dear friend,

Thanks for the reading of this letter.

Mr. Baker probably means "[illegible]
1383, which is (as I have it from
Palmer,) the same as my [illegible].
~~Parry & Palmer (or is it~~ Palmer's)
1391. I know nothing about.

How strange anyone should
[illegible] at the title Pellaea

If you have not sent Mr. Baker
complete plants, we will have them
[illegible] my [illegible] 10 to 12 to send in a few
weeks through Dr. Gray.

Yes, I saw your disposition [illegible]
to Dr. Gray, did not know you were [illegible]

well in verse!

Am now buried in distribution –

Yours truly,

C. P. Ring –

Charlotte, Vermont.
15th May, 1886.

My Dear Friend,

I have to answer your card to Mr. Stoddard who is away on his wedding journey.

It was I who sent the box of plates. I did not have time to accompany them with a letter, and have not found an opportunity to write till this morning.

I have been at home three weeks. I brought back, as you must have found, a few exposed plates. Before sending them I wanted to add to them a few exposed at my cousin Clark's (they promised) and this took some two weeks. So you got no letter from me.

You can appreciate my desire to make no noise about my being at home. I had to write to Cambridge and to Washington.

You were anxious about me, because you did not hear from me. Then you must have written to Kilmarnock, though I looked in vain for a letter from you from the time of my arrival there.

This is why I returned so soon;— I found the tierra calientes of Mexico rainless since last October, and almost no vegetation starting. Last year there were good showers during winter and spring; and here and there I could find enough to repay my toil, not so this year. Then on the 6th day I was attacked with fever more severe than ever before. So I deemed it prudent to come home to recuperate and wait for the midsummer rains.

I am nearly well again. Yesterday I walked twenty miles without fatigue.

or I am planning to return very soon. Perhaps I shall drop in a month in S. Colorado. Probably I shall go for two weeks to the Mts. of S. Arizona to gather Lily Bulbs, & the Huachucas, I think, this time to find "Conservatory Canon."

Next it is my desire, strengthened by that of Mr. Gray, to visit the Chiricahuas of Southern N. Mexico. Then by August 1st to be in Chihuahua preparing to move to Sierra Madre, where some rain is sure to fall on the driest of years.

Before I go back you will kindly show me the results of these last plates.

If either of the views of Rev. Mr. Eaton's garden, etc., come out good I shall want a dozen photos of it; and if either of those of Rev. Mr. Sutton's grave makes a good negative, I will be six. The latter was a dear friend of mine, and the [illegible] proves a kind one.

Of last years photos Mr. Fay wants 6 more of his family group, 2 of his "Tienda Barata", 2 of the silver mill and 2 of the Ore train.

Not since 1880 have I seen Hay in Vermont. What verdure everywhere, and how soft and fragrant the air!

You will need to tell me over again about the ferns seen to Mr. Baker.

Now I am eager to hear from you.

Yours faithfully,

C. G. Pringle.

I have bought Dr. Palmer's Chihuahua plants. Is this fern rightly named Notholaena Ascendensiana? The only other species known to me is Pellaea Sinuata, which is similar to P. aspera except that it is smooth.

H

Charlotte, Vermont.
7. June, 1886.

My dear friend,

Your letter of the 3rd is before me, and the photographs came to hand Saturday evening. I am pained and troubled to learn that your health is miserable. Are you not planning a rest? I wish you could come to Vermont for a few weeks; and I have been thinking you might bring a box of plates and go about photographing Vermont homes, etc., and thus make money enough to pay the expenses of your trip, ~~and~~ quite as much, (I should think) as though you staid at home. I think the life would repair your strength; and I believe

you might do quite a little business, if you could offer photos for about $2.50 per 12.

If I were to be at home I should urge this course. Yes, I am bound to make a good collection yet this season, and hope to start out soon. I find I can walk 20 miles a day without much fatigue, am quite over my fever, and soon rain will bring up vegetation in the S.W. Don't be anxious about my health; I can manage that; would not have come home for that alone; the drought was excessive, and having passed back the temptation to improve the time here was too much to resist. I want somebody to kill off Geronimo and his bad Apaches so I can go again to the Huachucas for a lot of lily bulbs, etc.

I divide with you my stock of Noth. Princeia, Davenport — grateful to see our names again so closely coupled, though I can hardly understand how it is not Palmeri since that gentleman first brought home the plant. Of course, however, that is not an imperative reason. I don't know as I can give any further information than the specimens afford, except concerning its habitat. I found it among the Santa Lucia Mts. a dozen miles east of the city of Chihuahua, growing from crumbling lime rock about cliffs and and in the canons of gulches. These last especially often presented the appearance of heaps of refuse from lime kilns. In such meagre soil the fern was a foothold, and during the greater part of the year is as dry and white as the soil in which it stands.

I am glad to see the few new Chihuahua views come out so well; and my cousins

Clark are immensely pleased with the pictures of their home and pet-horses.

Will you please print and send to

Geo. A. Clark, E. Charlotte, Vt. the following?—

View of house which shows back door from the best-plate (I think there are two plates) - - — - 10

View of house from highway in which the horse stands erect and still ... 10

View of man with horse, from the plate showing the more distant view ... 12

[The closer view seems not well focussed]

View of mother and children with their horse - - - - 12

Also (to come in same pkg) one copy each of the two views of my Chihuahua home and one of the posts for my pool assistant—

And please drop post-card to Mr. Clark when you send pkg. I send $5. to pay—

Yours faithfully,

C. G. Pringle.

H

Charlotte, Vermont
13, July, 1886

Dear Mr. Davenport,

In two days I shall, I expect, be off again for Mexico. No need to say much on this subject; you know my long cherished purpose to explore the Sierra Madre of North Mexico, and now I have as yet fallen short of my promise — The Apaches are this year on the further side from Chihuahua, some 300 miles away. The Mexican Indians are good. I trust to find friendly Americans here and there, where I travel.

By express I send you a box of exposed plates. Please send results (say on prints each) to F. H. Horsford, Charlotte,

and, if my friends are pleased, they will order numbers. I am apprehensive that you do not charge them enough in the ten cents at which you began. My mother has never consented to sit for a likeness, and I was so anxious to secure one when she proposed to stand by the horses, that I made five exposures.

Fred wanted me to photograph some cereals, but I could not get near enough with my lenses to make large pictures. There must be lenses for such things in life size.

I had to pay 150 per cent duties on the plates I took last spring. So I thought of the paper invention which might in my valise escape the notice of custom house officials. Have you tried it yet?

May I not hope to hear from you in Chihuahua? Yours faithfully,

C. G. Pringle

H

Charlotte, Vermont.
8. August, 1886.

Dear Mr. Davenport,

I have now been at home a few days. Within a few days after my arrival in Chihuahua I felt compelled to return to bring home a sick assistant, who sickened on the bad water and other unfavorable conditions of that terrible country, and could not, I believed, safely remain there, nor be safely sent home by himself.

I was not aware of the serious aspect of the border troubles until I was north of the Rio Grande. Now, being on the safe side of that river, I am trying to restrain my impatience to get back to

my work, until I can hear of the international troubles being settled.

But I feel dreadfully undone by this last serious journey. I feel out of place even at home, and believe I shall be most discontented, if compelled to remain here through the season. Vegetation was starting tolerably well though later than last year. It has been my purpose to return, even if, owing to the depleted state of my funds, I have to go alone.

I have not wished to inform my correspondents of my return; but this letter is due you by reason of the friendship that exists between us and the gratitude I feel towards you for the comfort afforded me during those melancholy days of your <u>Term Notes</u> in <u>Young Humanity</u> just at hand.

Cousin Fred hands me your much-prized present of a framed copy of <u>Whitehead's Pinfin</u>

and eight of my photographs. I am glad to see that some of them come out satisfactorily. Mein Gen. W. Pringle and his wife are delighted with a good likeness of their babes as he shows; and Mrs. Jennie, his wife declares the likeness of Gerry in the same picture the best he has ever had taken. He will send you a copies.

I presume you sent only a part of the proofs; as I trust all the remainder were not spoiled.

I may be back to Mexico before the end of this week. Don't be very anxious about me, if I go again. The revolutions are in other States than Chihuahua; and the international troubles must soon be amicably arranged, I believe.

Yours faithfully,

C. G. Pringle.

H

Chihuahua,

19. Sept., 1886.

Dear Mr. Thornsert,

I received the other day to read your kind letter of August 24th forwarded to me here by Fred. I presume that he in writing you informed you of my setting out the third time for Mexico and of my good assistant of last year bearing me company.

We have been here three weeks, and are having fair success, though vegetation is only about half as luxurious as last year. It is very different as respects species and their behavior. In the U.S. every plant flowers year by year near a certain date; here everything depends upon the

rains, which are as fickle as fortune.

The other day we went by train to Magdalena a bare line station on the plain fourteen miles to the south; thence a walk of three hours brought us to the highest peak of the Santa Catalina Hills, a vast chaos of pinnacles and cliffs, which I barely reached at the close of last season, but did not explore. This time we were able to spend some three hours there before returning to the evening train home; and on the north walls of the great peak I found two ferns not collected by me before. Here I send bits for name. The Phribanthes seems not to agree with my recollection of C. lanigera.

Geronimo now being captive it is urged, that the terrible Apache scourge inflicted no three years since, this earliest settlement (Tucson has been where it was unsafe for Mexicans to go a mile beyond the limits of this city,) is at an end; if so, there is

a sick and vast region opened to exploration; and I hope following years will compensate for the disappointment and loss of this.

From the inhabitants of northern and western Chihuahua there is little danger. Hundreds of Americans are travelling and living in the region in safety.

There is much fever here both typhoid and malarial; so we have to exercise care.

Only a few weeks remain till the close of the season. Still planning a trip to the Sierra Madre, the poor Mexican fare about the only bugbear now; if I go, I aim for a wonderful canyon and its ferns.

Glad you had a good vacation. Yes, out-door life would be the thing for you. Can it be planned?

Hoping to get a letter again some while soon, I remain, Yours faithfully,

C. G. Pringle.

H

Charlotte, Vermont.
6, Dec., 1886.

My dear Mr. Sargent,

Once more it is my great privilege to write you from home at the happy end of another Mexican journey, and to send you a few rare bird. On this journey everything went well. At Ind strange mountains through the warm golden days of autumn and pathless strange places I was supremely happy. I have never had better health or been capable of more toil. I have gathered material for another distribution, if a small one, — 125 species for sets and some birds it may come to 10,000 specimens. I trust it is a good omen for another year.

I have sent you all my forms, and just now will find me on lists of immense interest in this lot, as below.

Not another station found for Hainanese Ethnologists! It seems is sure to be Shimonoseki. But in the wonderful canons of the Powers and in this grand Island yet to found any quantity of it, I am confident.

I looked over the collection of a missionary friend, Rev. Mr. Crawford, made at Guadalajara, when Dr. Palmer went last July. Some I knew; some others of which I secured bits for me, not so.

I hope soon to hear from you, and to be informed that you are in better health than when you addressed me at Shimonoseki. And please tell me how much I am in your debt in photo work done this year. I hope my camera at home this last time. Yours faithfully,

C. G. Pringle.

Charlotte, Vermont
30, Nov., 1887.

My dear Mr. Davenport,

Once more I am safely home from botanical travel; and I want to hear how it fares with you.

I send you the few ferns of this year's collection. I don't know as I saw about the Sierra Madre the strange Chilanthes of 1886.

I have had a hard year, and have got badly into debt. My spring trip was a sad failure. My assistant fell sick before the end of the journey out; and, after spending considerable time and money doctoring him, I had to send him north. He was a sad man, and could not stand the water and climate. There is no telling

case. I took this fellow as a hardy, healthy farmer's son. Next I anticipated for my assistant of several previous trips: but soon after his rejoining me I was attacked by fever more severely than ever before. No rain nor snow had fallen throughout the winter; scarcely any vegetation had started, and the country was getting dryer and hotter under the summer sun. I came home, to change myself of fever. I had wasted $600 or $700. I was low in spirits. I did not want bothering to know of my return. I wanted to write you, however, but feared if I should do so, you might be questioning.

Toward the end of August I was travelling back to the mountains 160 miles west of Chihuahua, again well and prepared, and with a good assistant and a fine outfit of wagon, mules, tent, saddles, etc. We camped for six weeks at the foot of mountains nearly 10000 feet high, amongst pine trees and beside a mountain brook clear and pure. I found myself surrounded by a strange and rare flora, and worked to my utmost to gather everything and make up for the disasters of the spring-time. Everything went well, the autumn weather was glorious, and I was supremely happy and secured a fine collection. Frost and cold winds by the end of October drove us away to lower and warmer regions.

Now as usual I have a distribution to make and herbarium work to do. But my first care is to pay my debts. In this matter A. Gray is as kind as a father.

I have a dozen or more photos. plants expressed before this, etc; can I get you to manage them, or would it be troubling you?

Anxious to hear from you again and

faithfully yours,

C. G. Pringle.

Letter and parcel sent to Hertford P.C.
Friends.

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Mr. Geo. E. Davenport,
8, Hamilton Place,
Boston.

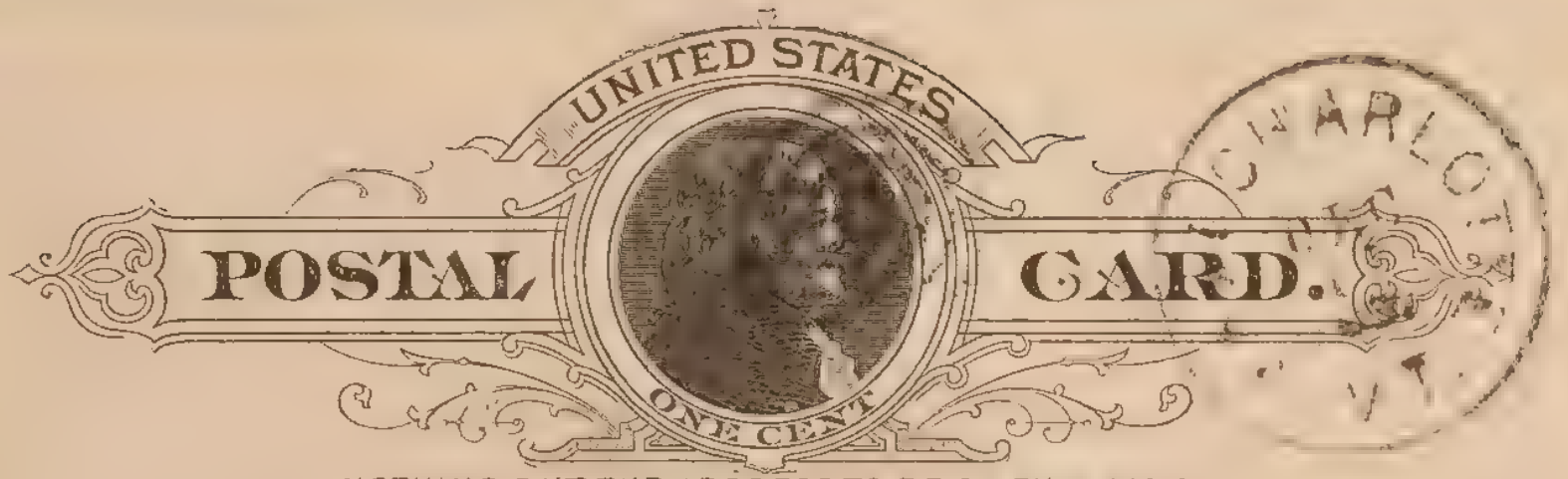
Charlotte, 16 Dec. 1887.

My dear friend,

It is a relief to hear that you are feeling better; and I am glad that I may send the proofs [illegible]. Since I became [illegible] to [illegible] series of articles in [illegible] of [illegible] [illegible] the new journal which Prof. S[illegible] [illegible] will edit, [illegible] [illegible] increased value in my eyes for they may serve as illustrations. I am happy to [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]; [illegible] [illegible] the [illegible] [illegible] a year or so old, and [illegible] of them may easily [illegible] "[illegible]" in the [illegible] [illegible] which I [illegible] [illegible] from the [illegible]. It [illegible] at first it was perfectly dark. [illegible] [illegible] first [illegible] of them cropped up again over the top of [illegible]? [illegible], if [illegible] good, please send proof to Prof. S. [illegible]; [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible].

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] afford me little hope that dear Dr. G[illegible] [illegible] survive. [illegible] I [illegible] my director. I [illegible] which way to turn. Mrs. Piper, [illegible] 82 [illegible] St., [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] asked for [illegible] [illegible] [illegible], [illegible] [illegible].

Prince.



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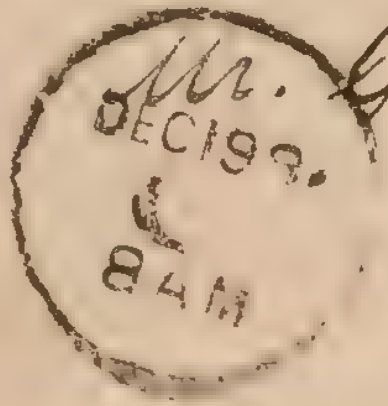


Mr. Geo. E. Davenport,
8, Hamilton Place,
Boston,
Mass.

Charlotte, Vermont.
22 Dec., 1887.

Dear Friend

Your long and welcome letter came last evening.

Oh no! I have no use at present for the stereoscopic views. Keep them yours.

No trouble about the cactus plants to Rochester, I presume. Possibly Prof. Sargent may want me to write about such plants.

Cereus Mexicanus are a good name.

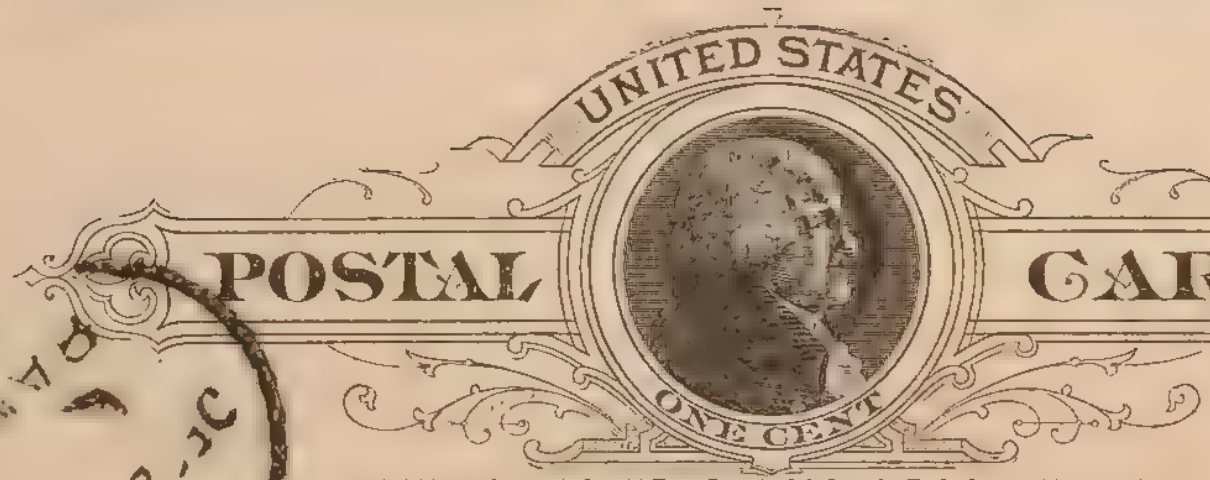
From the first I was sure the tiny specimen might be a melocrinus species.

Will wait for the fern names till you are certain.

Sad news about our good friend, Sullivant!

Yours truly,

O. G. Pringle.



NOTHING BUT THE ADDRESS TO BE ON THIS SIDE.

Mr. Geo. C. Davenport,
8, Hamilton Place,
Boston,
Mass.

Charlotte, Vermont.
11, Jan., 1888.

Dear Mr. Davenport,

First, thanks for the names of the ferns.

Then: yes, "it is hard luck". But it is only a little part of the calamities of the spring time following me up. When driven from my field last spring by drought and fever, I sold to an American photographer in Chicinatowa the four dozen fresh plates which I took from Boston last winter. He would not say that being afraid they were spoiled by age. I have no doubt that the trouble is all with the plates, and now I just want to throw them away and not bother you any more with them. I was

not anxious to have them come out at all – not so anxious – till Prof. Sargent asked me to write these articles and said my photographs would be just the thing for illustrations. I have been anxious to please him wishing to make a little return for his kindness, and hoping he might still want me in Mexico.

I don't want him to see these, lest he think I can do no better in future. Perhaps, however, Mr. Charles Faxon can manage the matter, and get get two or three good figures – So, I would be for you to send those you speak of; and please add two or three mountain views of the camp scene. I am glad that can serve as a memento of that happy time. Well, if you will fix up as well as possible a few of the best forest views, I will venture to slip them amongst the articles with an explanation.

Will you not keep the stereoscopic lenses as a return for the trouble I have made you in this matter?

I am toiling and struggling to get back into my feet again – to recover the losses of last spring and my independence. If I could make another journey, and have a good season, I might do that. If not, and I should fail in the attempt, little matter; for there is little happiness for me in Ver[illegible] or little prospect [illegible].

Well, well! I try to bear it thoughtfully, and to keep from sitting into a despondent spirit and desperate state of mind.

Yours faithfully,

C. G. Pringle.

[illegible] fellow and at P[illegible] [illegible] friends come to [illegible] with my satisfaction.

At [illegible] St. Louis where I [illegible] Mexican [illegible] [illegible] photo plate.

I shall be very glad of a few (two or three at least) duplicate prints of the camp. I want to send one to my good assistant, the [illegible] with the staying power.

If you should judge that one would be superior to another from duplicate prints, please point the first two.

Most earnestly do I hope both of my recovery. I have expected to [illegible] I would travel together. And I am inclined to think it might help me in recovery to have him with me [illegible]

I hope I have kept that you are nearly well again, I remain

Yours faithfully,

A. G. P[illegible]

Charlotte, Vermont.

18, Jan., 1888.

My dear friend,

Still "take chances" in respect to your health, else you may have to go into the sick list for good; and, if a few more of my Boston botanical friends get disabled, I shall take fright and change my profession.

I was striving so hard to pay my debt to Prof. Sargent and please him by my writing, that it did make me blue, for a little while, to see myself likely to fail in illustrations. And during that little while I wrote you my melancholy letter. No, don't be anxious about me. I am not been where you might have been; but while I have health and the freedom of

the fields, I might to find something to live for.

I am glad to hear that you find 887 so interesting. It was growing in a favorable place — the rock of a cliff close to the summit of Peters Peak (Picachos de Potrero) many miles south east from Chihuahua and forming a clump with Selaginella rupestris, etc.

Prof. L. M. Underwood has written me for a collection of ferns. I never have supplied him before. He says he has made use of Lemon's fern and 80 species of Mexican ferns from Strafuss. I judge he has, thus, a lovely collection!

On no. St. Louis never makes much ado about my collection. I suppose he has 16 publish from special expense to please Palmer; but he is I am told by St. Louis that they are Palmer's choicest exhibition. Palmer gets all the crowding things over and over and and St. Louis expects them to do it, and the small one is left out. It is most forgetting that we get a fair share of new and rare species. But such is the fortune! I have begun to fill the collection of 100 and can endure it because it is a decent proportion.

Well, if you have a good time, you comfort me. St. Louis the same question you have asked me; but I think he will accept this week on possible expected St. Louis finally in my collection two Gymnosporangium, Prof. Sturtevant three new Gymnosporangium, and Mr. Harvey found for me two n. sp. among a few things I had.

I have tentatively entertained joining in Orcutt's enterprise; but some of my active Cal. friends doubt wisdom of it.

St. Perry and wife are wintering in San Francisco. Greene has broken with the Cal. Acad. of Sciences (Nelson) you and me I expect him as a member

Charlotte, Vermont.

5th May, 1888.

My dear Bird,

I am not yet gone, as you can see; am waiting for last proofs and papers to come through Prof. Lazenby.

Now I wish you would contribute few articles to Garden and Forest. You could photograph your specimens for illustration, and do them superbly beautifully. And I suppose you would be liberally paid.

Do you see the Journal and notice some of our photos, reproduced by some process which preserves the beauty of the photographs?

I am wishing I might have a lens by which I could take

pictures of flowers and small forms somewhere near life size. How did you take the magnified photographs of Euphorbia Mexicana, for instance? I don't guess my lens so near. I am writing this, because I am hoping to secure this year a great many illustrations for the Garden and Forest, which I have come to admire much.

I may get out any day. Thanks for your advice to call on Mr. Cramer which I am planning to do.

Yours faithfully,

C. G. Pringle.

Tomorrow I am to become fifty years old!

Charlotte, Vermont.
11, May, 1888.

Dear friend,

Thanks for your letter and postcard. Last evening I received a note from Prof. Sargent, and am expecting to start on Monday.

Will not now try to have the celluloid palates.

No I can't manage my eyes — natural age views of small things; and are much reduced. It would be a good thing to have a Stillinger lens; but $37.50 is too much money for me to spare this year.

This is a good boy from

Yours faithfully,

C. G. Pierce.

Next address
Chickamauga.

Charlotte, Vermont,
12, May, 1888.

Dear Mr. Saunders,

I wrote too hurriedly yesterday. I could never think of receiving back your lens.

Last evening came a letter from Miss. Furbish; she regrets that she cannot see how I look — that I did not show myself in the view of a Mesquite Forest in Garden and Forest; says a friend of hers takes himself in his pictures by means of a stick.

Continually asking something of you, My tired friend; but sometimes you might take to please two of your friends by printing two or three photos and sending to her, — say "Lifts on the desert", Das-

"Sierra Wheelers" or "Queen City".

Miss F. and I have renewed our correspondence, and are getting more than ever before interested in each other. She is wishing herself young again that she might be here tonight; I feel like wishing myself young for other reasons — don't tell!

She tells me that you have visited her home.

I told you maybe address Chihuahua — for a week or two, then maybe (probably) Monterey.

I hope you will be able to take a good vacation this summer and get rested.

Yours faithfully,

C. G. Pringle.

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Reinosa,
1. June. 1886.

Dear Mr. Davenport,

Here I am again with assistance between of so many Mexican journeys, and I morrow expect to start for Monterey. My hope is to finish the Mexican work in this region in four or five weeks, and then make a short visit to General afairs for from Chiefly on you. Would now many Colonies found there in 1886 — were the two Brown families now completed to that city?

As at Lerin I learned who remained with Clark Pass in store

Postage to Mexico is five R.S. only 2 cents now.

[illegible] that he would be found
to be manufacturing a long
distance [illegible] 15 to 18 hours a day.
I bought his photo of a Black
leader, who admirably has the
No. 30.

I have been exposed to photo
trying again to get a picture of my
good friends in the Congo Mission.
These I have packed & sent by
mail, and Mr. Mr. Wright to-
-gether to make them, when in St
Paul's next week. Will you kindly
damage them and send them
immediately each one to Rev. A.
C. Wright* and write me to
inquiring any inquiries about an
[illegible] of photos? Hoping you
would keep trying, till I get some
good pictures —

Yours faithfully
C. H. Rippley —

* with pen per day. [illegible]

H

Charlotte, Vermont.
9, Jan., 1889.

My dear friend,

I am happy to write you that I am home again once more in excellent health and spirits, and with a large collection.

I think I wrote you last from Chimanuna before starting for the western Sierra Madre. Arrived there I found the season weeks in advance of that of 1887 — closing indeed for most plants and frosts beginning to fall. So there was no encouragement to travel far back among the mountains, as was my intention; and, after gleaning about my old camps for two or three weeks, I moved as swiftly as possible far south to

Guadalajara, a grand and beautiful city within the torrid zone, in whose vicinity were far more species than I could manage and where I lingered till the middle of December. At that date the weather was at its coldest for the region, yet there had been only one slight frost, and I left bugs and other plants flowering and to flower throughout the winter with spring-time to begin in February. You cannot be surprised that I left with the hope of returning for the spring flora.

Rev. John Howland and wife of the A. B. C. F. M. of Boston kindly took us into their fine brick house and did much to make our stay in Guadalajara pleasant.

I spent most of the time

working a region five to seven miles northward from the city where the largest river of the country which drains Lake Chapala has cut a chasm 1500 feet deep — the great "Barranca" filled with a semi-tropical vegetation, with plantations of bananas, sugar cane, oranges, pine-apples, etc.

My collection of ferns will show you that the Guadalajara region was even richer in ferns than that of Monterey. Here, as all along my journey I exposed dry-plates for photographs. In the way of a slight return for favors I did some photographing at the mission, making two exposures for each view and one of each of these Mr. Howland got developed in Guadalajara, and obtained very good pictures; so I am encouraged

to look for good results this year.

Yesterday I packed in one box to send you by express the plates — nearly 80 — and the fern specimens, and in my hurry to improve an opportunity to send the box to our distant express-office, I forgot, as I was astounded to think, to prepay charges on the box. I really do not know as I have done right in imposing upon you so much labor as these plates will involve; yet you remind by a remark in a letter, which found me in Chic^o, to anticipate being thus come into your hands for development. I am unwilling to trouble you with much expense in the matter, and really ought not myself to indulge in more much more expense upon them (for this photographing has been a constant drain upon my failing

resources.) A good proportion of these are photographs of trees, etc., made in compliance with a request of Prof. Sargent; and I have thought that it perhaps ought to relieve you of the trouble of ~~[illegible]~~ such and turn them over to his friend Mr. Codman. I am in entire ignorance about your relations with him — whether anything was paid you for the plates supplied to the Garden and Forest. As for myself I am under constant obligations to Prof. Sargent, and am glad to serve him in any way. But you must not let me abuse your goodness and patience with my photo work; and I shall not cease to feel uneasy, until you frankly inform me of your expenses on this account, so I may repay you, or make you assume no

as I cannot think you able to do, that you have found some way to make this business pay its own expenses.

To think of being without my camera on my journeys and thus unable to secure such interesting pictures is unpleasant, quite intolerable; so I am willing to bear this part of the burden of expense — one of the hosts — under which I stagger and toil in the life of a collector. But I can't consent to "ride a free horse to death" in this as it certainly looks as though I am doing; so, my dear friend, let me have from you a big bill, when you are through with this job. I learn from Miss Burbidge and Mrs. Piper that you have been very liberal with them.

So much concerning the photo business for this time. Concerning

the Lens; I wish to beg you to examine first the parent without bitterness, that I may have the names for the printer as early as possible.

Last week I visited our dear Mrs. Piper in West Rutland, whither she came a few weeks ago to bury her husband. She lost her youngest son, too, last summer. She returns to live in Boston and vicinity. It appears that she has never called on you — too humble to intrude upon you! The idea! I urged her to get into the way of dropping in to see you. You would bite be charmed by this.

My brother's wife sends a dollar and begs you to print a few photos — 2 of her sons (No. 16 she thinks; it is the one in which the boys are sitting on the horse-block,) and No. 109 of the Hewitt house close by.

Have I not broken forth with a flood of words?

Now I hope soon to hear from you, my dear friend; and I will trust to learn that you and all yours are well and happy.

Faithfully Yours,

C. G. Pringle.

P.S.

My assistant and I got caught with the photo plates in a wreck on our way home; I hope you will find that the glass escaped breakage as happily as we did.

Charlotte, Vermont.
27, Jan, 1889.

Dear Mr. Davenport,

Thanks for so many names of ferns.

It would seem that the pinnæ of the Aspidium are sometimes auricled; specimen enclosed. But is A. falcatum known to grow nearer than the Sandwich Islands?

Yours faithfully,
C. G. Pringle.

H

Charlotte, Vermont.
24, March, 1889.

Dear Mr. Davenport,

I have taken great pleasure in the views so kindly sent by you.

When you have sent me a full set-don't fail to tell me what all this business has cost you. I feel sure that Prof. Sargent will want several of the negatives. I have explained that I cannot ask him for pay for any such; but I do hope that on account of his paper or of the Am. Mus. (if he gets them enlarged for that institution,) will offer to pay you.

I expect to be you to finish in best style a very few to present to Pres. Cooke of your city, who is so good to give one passed over his Mex. Cent. R.R. I want to show him that there

are large timber trees in Mexico.

My assistant, of six Mexican journeys, Geo. H. Welcome now married in Woodstock, Vermont, will be ordering from you a few views in which he feels most interest, such as that of our camp. He is the taller man in that picture. The other, Cousin Earle S. Pindle, will surely want some too.

Among the Guadalajara views you will come upon some of the mission. I made two exposures each time and took out one of the two plates which Mr. Howland got developed very satisfactorily in that city — excepting one of the whole mission — three pairs. It was hoped you would get a good picture from the other plate.

Then there were promises made by me to several Mexican gentlemen, which I must keep, if certain views turn out well — Are you not tired?

Here are the tickets. Now for my bills.

Yours faithfully,

C. G. Pringle.

$4.00 Doz
Mercer Lem

Charlotte, Vermont.
16. April, 1889.

My dear Mr. Davenport,

I am at last through with my distribution; and before the week ends may be off on another journey.

So now, for a last word concerning the pilots. Thanks for the proofs and list by which I am to be guided.

My cousin and assistant of last fall Earl S. Prindle, North Ferrisburgh, Vt., will send you several numbers for views which most interest him or in which he figures. He is the chap with the white hat seen so often by the cars.

So, too, I think, will my good assistant on six journeys, Geo. H. Welcome, Woodstock, Vt. He must make them pay expenses or more.

For myself, I will not burden you if you

me pictures from all the plates. I do not care much for many of the trees. And will you not break up and throw away all such plates as will not print endurable pictures and all the poor duplicates. Don't fill up such room.

I beg you to print mount and send here for me at your convenience Nos 29, 30, 36, 37, 43, 48, 49, 50, 52, 54, 56, 58, 60, 61, 67, 68, 69, 70, 23, & 25.

I exposed duplicate plates for the in groups of the Guadalajara missionaries, their school woman and donkey with children, etc and half the plates were at nice developed by a photographer of that city. They came out with bad factors — with the exception of 67. I am confident, if you will print for me nice pictures from this plate and send on each (mounted or unmounted,) to Rev. John Howland, Guadalajara, Mexico, to Rev. Henry M. Bissell, La Barca, Jalisco, Mexico, to Rev. A. C. Wright, Tusihuiriachic, Chihuahua, Mexico, and to

Rev. Mr. Grimes, San Luis Potosi, Mexico, with price per dozen, that this gentleman will order.

The first two (they show in the picture in the order in which I have given their names beginning at the left or near the pillar,) are missionaries of the A. B. C. F. M. of Boston and I should think this picture as well as that of their school at Guadalajara (No. 66) and the court-scene (No. 61) would sell at the rooms of this missionary society.

Please, also, finish up one or two of the best of the views of the house, etc., of Rev. James S. Eaton, Chihuahua, Mexico, and send him with price per dozen - 32 or 33 and 61 or 62.

Please, also, send two mounted photos of No. 57 to Sr Don. N. L. Carillo, Chihuahua, Mexico.

And one each of 34 and 35 (Sambucus Mexicana in the garden of the governor of Chih.) to Sr Don Abraham Najera, Chihuahua, Mexico.

The subject of No. 36 is Populus in the Alameda of Chihuahua. I thought Mr. Sargent would want it to illustrate its species and its use.

Now I am going to cease from troubling you — for a while; shall be anxious to hear from you of your health, etc., when I am in the field; and when I find a good place to locate for collecting will tell you where to find me by letter.

I shall probably be near Monterey again for a time or near Saltillo — or San Luis Potosi. There are three of us, one an amateur — office in favor with the Smithsonian; and we are backed by the U. S. and Mex. Govts, and have passes over nearly all the railroads of the republic. So don't fear for your grateful friend,

C. G. Pringle.

I enclose $4.5; will go in St. Louis a few days, Cramer plates and try to profit by your advice —

H

Laredo, Texas.
28, July, 1889.

My dear Mr. Davenport,

It is time you had a letter from me, but you and my other good Boston friends should spare me the task.

It gives me pleasure to report myself as in the best of health, and yet I feel as far as ever from having strength for any work beyond the daily routine. Of the two strong years' pleasure I promised myself when I brought out last May me, Mr. Mitchelopolis, soon succumbed to the heat and proved inefficient as a collector, and was sent North; and now the occasion of my being here on the border is to attend upon the other two, though it is first-rate fun to make the best of everything. Since

have had, his experience in collecting insects. My own trouble, during my first year here and the several years of scarcity, may prove useful to me with me, may give you a hint — a slight hint — of the difficulty of living and travelling in this country and carrying on the work which I have undertaken. The long marches under a tropical sun (one hundred with his running outfit of food, water etc, and with his increasing collections) the heat, the humidity and the thunderstorms are terrific, often fatal to mention, the natives indifferent, moving after new plants growing on trees, the obstacles interposed by the thorns, poisonous trees, climbers, by wild beasts and not rarely by the inhabitants of the country — all these difficulties perplex, when the collector gets home at the end of the year with his stores of booty, but they rise in his way as he enters his field again —

I have said I have been successful as the securing of over 4000 specimens already must testify; but the failure of my assistants has prevented my traversing the mountains south of Monterey, as I planned doing. Yet I have at two or three different times spent several weeks and have visited the northerly high mountain higher than before with some good results, as I believe.

I have also made two flying trips to the Guadalajara region with a view to securing the vernal population, and I feel some satisfaction over the way I have been served with these known localities.

As to your favorites, the flies, I can report gathering Bottelera nova, Lev., as yet a short-limited species near Monterey also. I can hardly mistake Lobb. Decorata. About Guadalajara, numerous as were the species that there should

Thousands of Humming Birds, I was surprised on returning. Several species (Selasphorus Platycercus, Pelzeni & one of Heavy) which must have disappeared from there before that date are now appearing, though when we left there on the 8th instant the temperature was 20° Fahr.

I thought I have been so in good weather are this, but now I must keep on the border for a week or two longer in the hope of meeting another propitious season. I mean to spend most of the remaining months in Salvador and neighboring states, because there I can collect these species to the most advantage, or in the state of Sinaloa, and after separate large numbers of specimens because of pecuniary importance.

I have been prevented by the illness of my man from the trip up my series for a Report to the Smith Board of Washington;

for sometime longer it will be impossible and yet to me it will be getting too late, because it will be as late as the 20th of my 60 precious years.

If God be good to me and spare me and bless, and if I have my health — and some good help — I shall gladly devote a few years.

For the present I am left to struggle alone with these mountains and wilds — and in the way that I would, it is not well that we should know in anticipation what we shall have to encounter.

In Guadalajara I was pleased to see the five pieces sent by you to Mr. Howland. The Howlands are pleasant to me with them in the midst of these wilds, and it makes a pleasant home for me.

I am so confident that I should have my dear Sister with me, I will give to address from L. G. Mr. John Howland,

Grandchildren, Alice & C.) The little mite I feel sure you, for instance, would see soon to visit me.

I want to know what disposition you have made of the Monterey Expedition. This season I have been down to Los Angeles & spent my vacation on high land on what would be called slopes of the mountains above Monterey; and my belief that it is distinct from A. polyanthum not seem pretty clear.

And I want to know how your health is. This summer will tell you the story, and all the news about our botanical friends.

Did I tell you of sending you, as I was leaving home, a package of my flowers to Prof. Eaton, as you request? Thank you?

Believe me to remain with kindest wishes,

Yours faithfully,

E. L. Greene

Charlotte, Vermont.
22, Feb., 1890.

Dear Mr. Davenport:

I believe, if I tell you of my trouble in respect to mounting paper, you will be so good as to step around to some paper warehouse at your convenience — is it Carter, Rice, & Co., somewhere in Devonshire St.? — and learn where I can buy just what I want.

For years I got my supply from a mill in S. Lee, Mass., paying some 18 cents a pound for several reams each year. Last year I had to send elsewhere, because the company had failed. I sent to Washington, and had to pay a higher price. This is a sample. It came from Holyoke. Now I suppose the Holyoke mills are owned or controlled in Boston; and I don't want to pay freight to and from Washington.

I want flat-white paper like this, weighing 25 to 30 pounds per ream, and cut precisely 11 3/8 by 16 3/8 inches. It has been intimated that the paper offered for herbarium use at 18 cents a pound is called paper, that is each sheet has some slight defect. If this is true, I have no reason to complain; for I have seldom rejected a sheet.

Will you kindly tell me where I can send orders for paper as heavy as I use and cut just to my size, and have it matched year by year, and at what price?

So you will help a friend out of a dilemma — Yours faithfully,

C. G. Pringle.

16, March, 1890

Dear friend:

Good for the new Rattlesnake, and thanks to your critical judgement and determination for it. More than 500 n. sp. for my sets — about one eighth, and I all the while following after Dr. Palmer, that "keen and careful collector", S.W.

Yes I have not heard from Miss Furbish, but why do you ask? Soon I can and listen.

Yours, etc., C. G. Pringle.

G. B. Sargent will have a paper ready for publication in a few days.

UNITED STATES

POSTAL CARD.

ONE CENT

NOTHING BUT THE ADDRESS TO BE ON THIS SIDE.

Mr. Geo. E. Davenport,
8, Hamilton Place,
Boston,
Mass.

Charlotte, Vermont.
27, Feb., 1890.

Dear Mr. Davenport:

It is pleasing to learn that you find so much of interest among my ferns. I thought you might want to send some of them to Eaton or Baker; so I put up duplicates. Sometimes I fear that I am wrong in sending so much work to you. Any time you wish me to send to Prof. Eaton, kindly tell me.

The Hemionitis usually fruits large or small; the shape of sterile and fertile fronds the same. It grows in the great barrens near Guadalajara in rich soil of shaded ledges or banks. I got to it late, and search scarcely

enough material to go around my sets!

2599 was found on limestone ledges of mountains near Monterey.

I trust you will be able to report names for these two and for 2591 soon so I can send them to the printer.

Have you heard of the death (in consequence of the grip) of dear Dr. Parry?

Yours faithfully,

C. G. Pringle.

H

Charlotte, Vermont.

18. March. 1890.

My dear friend:

I am delighted with the photo. proofs and must ask you to print and reserve for myself, my boys and my Monterey friends (6 sets) as follows:

No 102 (3 photos.)
104 (2 ")
105 (3 ")
106 (8 ")
108 (8 ")
109 (2 ")
110 (3 ")
111 (3 ")
112 (4 ")

And send me a account of the photo expense of last year.

Not long ago you enquired the height of Roth. rupil. It is one 1/100 feet

I am to be in good hope this summer (S.V.) of the mountain range in which the Pinus and Aspidium n. sp. grows especially between San Luis Potosi and Tampico 300 or 400 miles south of Monterey; and I trust to get more of both plants and other rare species of ferns besides.

Yours faithfully,
C. G. Pringle.

Mr. Cleveland of San Diego writes that he expects to come east this summer and go as far as Maine. He says plants grow rare wonderfully this year.

Charlotte, Vermont.

4. May, 1890.

My dear friend;

Time flies; and tomorrow it is good bye to home & mother and friends and my into the uncertainties of another long journey.

I have asked Edward Patrick Q., of Colchester, to send you a little money on account of the photos.

Please send a set of them to my dear friend, resident of last summer, Chas. C. Hammond.

Dromaville,

Windsor Co.,

Vermont.

Another to my assistants of last year, Fred. E. Swift

Springfield, Vermont.

Another to

Geo. H. Welcome,

Woodstock, Vermont

and the rest to me in Laredo, Tex.

No. I mistake. In the hurry I may fail of getting some of the pictures. Well, please send them here & will do the rest as requested above as nearly as you can.

Can you not plan a visit for coming summer? You can not run on many years longer in this way. It pains me. My dear friend, I know that you are weary and ill.

Next address in Mexico,

Care Rev. S. W. Grimes,

San Luis Potosi.

Yours faithfully, C. G. Pringle.

H

San Luis Potosí, Mexico.
(Apartado 92.)
21, June, 1890.

Dear Mr. Davenport,

Your favor of a long time ago with photos was thankfully received, but many a time since I have had cause to wish to find an hour to write you. I wanted you to know that I have quite work enough and progressing finely.

Twice a week, on Tuesdays and Fridays at 12.15 P.M. a train leaves this city for Tampico, returning here on Wednesdays and Saturdays at 11.45 P.M. Since the first week in June I have with my assistant been on nearly every train, for

have gone down, seldom to the lowlands, but usually to the lower mountains, where we could work near two full days each trip. I was never in so rich a region, and never in a rainy time and many plants are in condition to be pressed. I am trying hard to master the vegetation there. Each great tree is a garden of ferns, orchids, etc. I have found there — as yet — hardly mature, however, — some ten ferns unknown to me.

Now I show you a little fern excursion in the neighborhood of Guadalajara last May, which seems to me different from Gymnogramme leptophylla, Desv.

In the hot tierra caliente we can find little food and little shelter — none not — infested with bad reptiles. So we carry our

food, and sleep in our rubber coats in railroad tunnels, on mountain sides, etc. for cannot dry our plants in that climate. So once back to this country and comparatively dry region, devoting Thursdays, Sundays and Mondays to that duty — and others, as writing.

I still keep in view my plan of getting back to Guadalajara next month.

It would be comforting to receive a few lines from you, and I hope you are full of better health.

Yours faithfully

C. G. Pringle.

Charlotte, Vermont.
11, Dec., 1890.

My dear friend:

I have just returned in safety and in excellent health from my Mexican journey of 25,000 miles, bringing 20000 specimens — material for more than fifty sets of 3000 species.

I am eager to hear from you, for it is a long time since your last letter came to San Luis Potosi.

I have come home earlier than usual, so that I may next year get back into the tropical forests while the trees are yet in flower or fruit — I was much too late last spring —

and before the intolerable heats return. This is in compliance with Prof. Sargent's wish.

So I must work my distribution as soon as possible. I have about 20 forms for my sets, and can get specimens ready in a few days. I have thought best to ask, if I should send them to you. Or, are you going to be too tired and too busy during this month to give attention to them, so that it would be doing you a kindness to direct them to Prof. Eaton for his determination? Of course you would have specimens anyhow. Nearly one half of the species are Polypodia.

I write briefly this time, but remain Yours faithfully,

C. G. Pringle.

I feel more at home in sending a package of specimens to Prof. Eaton, since he has checked with the written notes, of all the Mex. specimens, which I have seen.

Charlotte, Vermont.
19, Dec., 1890.

My dear friend:

Two days ago I sent the ferns. You must have them on this, and must have found within the pkg a lot of the lovely Woodsia Ilvensis. It is all that I gathered last season. I thought best to send along all my specimens, large and small, so you could see the plant in all its forms and states. Some of the specimens grew on ledges rooting in the crevices of the limerock, others grew in deep rich mould of mountain woods. It is a very common species of the lower Woodsias of eastern Mexico, and is not Asplenium fontanesianum at all. If it is a collector may get to know such distinct plants! Asplenium Shelbrooke Standish would be a good name for it. Please write me what you think of it. Return the notes from Mr. C. G. Pringle.

NOTHING BUT THE ADDRESS TO BE ON THIS SIDE.

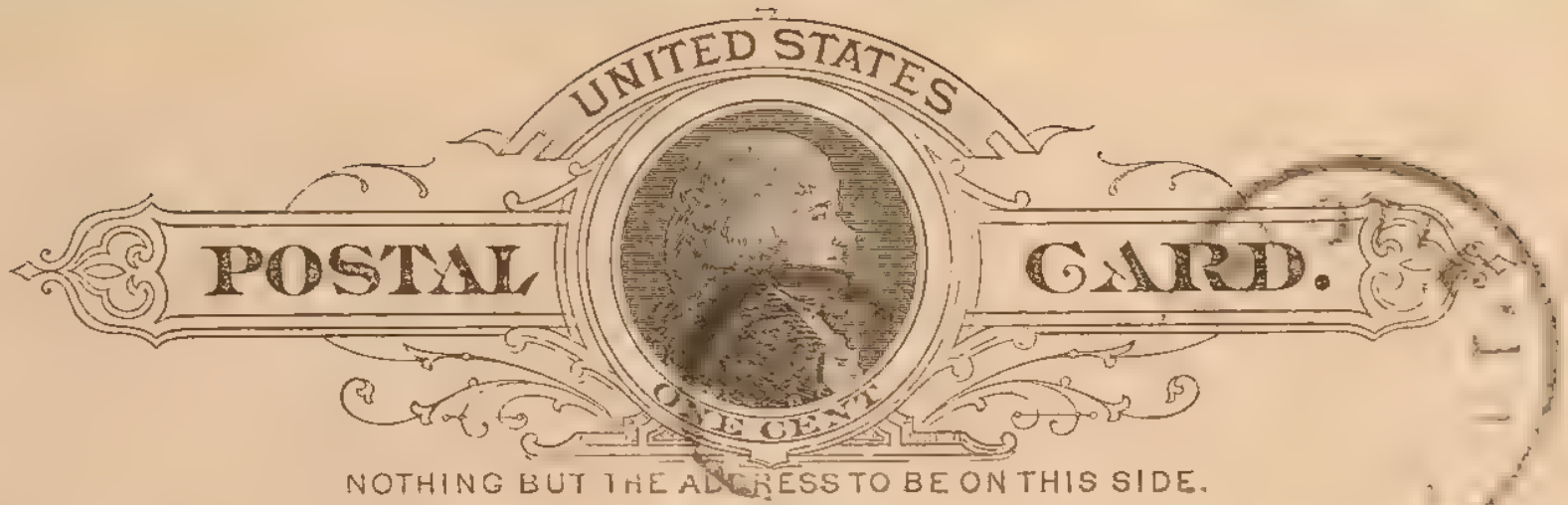
Mr. Geo. C. Davenport,
8, Hamilton Place,
Boston,
Mass.

Charlotte, Vermont.
19 Dec., 1890.

Dear Friend:

Thanks for the Photographic Annual. And with your fern photo. you give me a sensation. Now I shall be impatient to get back once more to Guadalajara, for I have but 25 specimens left of Noth. Nudeyi, v. Mexicana — only half enough for my sets. I got "Noth. Greyi" near Philadelphia (No 463). Have you one of these specimens, so you can tell whether it is that species or N. Nudeyi? And do you think this last a very good species?

Yours ever, C. G. Pringle.



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Mr. Geo. E. Davenport,
8 Hamilton Place,
Boston, Mass.

Charlotte, Vermont.
23 Dec. 1890.

Dear Mr. Saunders:

Your postcard concerning the Sierra Madre Agave is received. Well, I will give in, especially since I read in "Trouchi" Lamarck's "Illustrations" that A. filifolia is made to include four species of Fourcroy. And perhaps after all it was this Sierra Madre plant (very likely from Mt. Orizaba) which furnished the large white type. My Chihuahua and Arizona specimens, kindly in cultivation, with broader spines and 6 spinulose-teeth, do not seem to contain the extreme form of a variable species. I am a convert.

C. G. P.

NOTHING BUT THE ADDRESS TO BE ON THIS SIDE.

Mr. Geo. E. Davenport,
8, Hamilton Place,
Boston, Mass.

Charlotte,

30, Dec., 1890.

My dear friend:

I am glad to hear from you so favorably. As you judge, it is probably best to submit the Polygamists to Mr. Baker. I do not hear from Mr. Nelson of late; so do not know when to expect his lists of determinations. There may be time to get the names from Sew before I begin matching up my data. Dr. Britton made it look some sedges to Sew a week or two ago.

The Aminia was a surprise to me, so close to A. Mex. in appearance yet so distinct in the anthers. I should note rather it [illegible] sp. Come near bedding it [illegible]; [illegible] another trip to [illegible]

C. G. Pringle.

NOTHING BUT THE ADDRESS TO BE ON THIS SIDE

Mr. Geo. E. Davenport,
8, Hamilton Place,
Boston,
Mass.

Charlotte, Vermont
6, Jan., 1891

Dear Mr. Davenport:

On New Year's day I reached home again in perfect health, bringing as large and rich a collection as ever; and I lose no time in putting into your hands the remaining forms of the collection. And I have remembered your wish to have more specimens of our new species. Cottontail rabbits, Davenport, however, you will not find in the package to go by mail with this, because I did not visit the Monterey region on this last journey.

I anticipate much pleasure from the reading of your few papers in Garden and Forest. As yet I have not had time to find them. I hope this will find you well and

happy, and remain,

Yours faithfully,

C. G. Bingham.

P.S.

Will you please give me the present address of Prof. L. M. Underwood. I have a strange hyperbolic in it [illegible] time

Charlotte, Vermont.

8. Jan., 1891.

Dear Mr. Davenport:

Last evening I was delighted to receive your list of fern determinations; but I must trouble you further, for I find no mention of Nos 3356 or 3357 (which are the same plant) 3358 (is this Polypodium dryopteris Swartz?) or 3359.

Can it be that I did not send you these three ferns?

As there is time (Mr. Watson's determination not having come to hand yet) I will wait till you hear from Prof. Eaton respecting No 3355, before printing the ticket.

3357 did I not give this correctly as 3357?

Here I enclose 3358 (St. aplenioid) and 3356 (pinnate Polypody) and 3359 (is this Pteris?)

Yours faithfully,

C. G. Pringle.

Charlotte, Vermont.
12, Jan., 1891.

My dear friend:

I cannot understand how the three farms, 3356 – 3359, failed to go to you, unless they got into some Camille meeting up at the same time for Mr. Watson or someone else.

However I need and you have specimens for clearing and keeping. The three are for sale.

Yours faithfully,

C. G. Pimple.

NOTHING BUT THE ADDRESS TO BE ON THIS SIDE.

Mr. Geo. E. Sampson
8, Hamilton Place,
Boston, Mass.

Charlotte, Vermont.

25th, Jan., 1891.

Dear Mr. Davenport.

I thank you for your long letter. It is just what I have been wanting. More than once amidst my busy hours the desire has come to me to write you about Mr. Morong. You have anticipated in the future my request; and I should feel myself by the infinite which you give me. Too bad!

I forgive all those discords and all this rivalry, before Dr. Gray's death; and on my last visit to him presented my fair findings. And now the calm confidence that Dr. Gray is assuring, "Life is one year", he said, "there will be one hour when it is all strong enough". So that we, in the Kingdom above, Brother, I

am bound to be loyal for Dr. Gray's sake and by reason of his own wisdom and nobility of mind.

I don't know as your varieties come from the Pteris longifolia will serve for my distribution. Did I send you two large specimens? If so, the second the bipinnate character, I made a mistake. That character is an extreme run only shown by the most luxuriant plants of the region. The most of my specimens are simply pinnate like the first little frond sent you, only much larger. What can I do? Mr. Lemmon's way in such cases is to write the name thus: "Pteris longifolia, L., var." I suppose all the specimens show extreme variation in sharpness.

I believe the Aspidium is disposed of in the right way. This eastern form is quite likely the type.

Yours faithfully,

E. G. Britton

Charlotte, Vermont.
24, Feb., 1891.

My dear friend:

Here are the tickets for your fern specimens. If any are lacking, or any fuller information is desired, please let me know.

It was kind of you to give me a peep into your study.

I have not yet begun the dreadfully irksome task of making up my acts. Yet I hear from San Luis Potosi that the trees are in full leaf there. However there remain many a long months ere the end of the year.

Yours faithfully,
C. G. Pringle.

Charlotte, Vermont,
16, Jan., 1896.

Dear Mr. Davenport,

I am glad to hear from you once more, with thanks, now for the fern papers, though I have the Garden and Forest regularly and have read them. I thought it strange that you should change to Rothrockiana. My own contributions to G. & F. have sometimes been edited in the way you complain of; I have supposed it was done by the New York editor, Mr. Stiles.

Of the *Adiantum (?) I found in the Barranca of Las Canoas, State of San Luis Potosi, amongst willows and cypress trees, only two or four plants. Its caudex is a few inches high, quite like that of Cheilanthes Wrightii; the fronds are erecto, four or five feet high, all mature over fruiting, also the top or

shown by the specimen.

Oh, yes. I am so sick in him, that I have never seen the specimen you find in your package, or I would have for you. I am to secure about 100 specimens of each form collected meanwhile so my supply will not run out.

I have been distressed over the illness of Dr. Cotton, whom I have been wont to regard as a strong man with a prime of long life. Now, we could ill afford to accomplish not the work which was upon him, and must be prepared to lose him at any time. And what could I do without him?

Yours faithfully,
C. G. Pringle.

* Gymnogramme leptophylla

[illegible]

29, June, 1912.

Dear Prof.:

Good to have you [illegible] in the study of [illegible].

I do not [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] specimen of [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] for [illegible]. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] specimen to Prof. [illegible], I suppose.

If Prof. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] specimen [illegible] [illegible]. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

E. G. [illegible]

NOTHING BUT THE ADDRESS TO BE ON THIS SIDE

Mr. Geo. E. Tampert,
69 Talley St.,
Medford, Mass.

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Pinetorta,

1, May, 1882

Dear Mr. Davenport:

I have decided to put by for another distribution all plants of my last collection not fully determined, and to make up my list according to this date, so that I can put away on another Mexican journey within the six three weeks.

I think I sent herewith tickets for all the specimens sent you.

You will be so good as to write me, before I go. Please tell me the news from Miss Kate Turbish.

Yours faithfully,

C. G. Pringle.

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Charlotte, Vermont.
23. May, 1892.

Dear Mr. Davenport:

Then I made a blunder in writing "Polypodium ensifolium, Willd." above the other name and am sorry for it.

I believe the two fronds of Polypodium petiolatum, were alike in character if not in size. Mine is 10 inches broad by 16 inches long on a stipe 7 inches long. It has 28 pinna besides the terminal one; these are alternate 4' to 6 inches long by 3 to 5-lines wide.

I looked for more plants (somewhat hurriedly,) and in vain; but shall hope to get it for sets this year, though it grows on mountains infested by tigers.

If I get many ferns this year,

I shall have to push further southward; for I have a clue to only one or two strange ones besides this.

By the storm — and another cause I am hindered from starting on my journey today. Possibly may not leave this week.

If forms turn up, I shall wish to push them early into your hands for study.

I leave with you my kindest wishes, and remain

Yours faithfully,

C. G. Pringle.

H San Luis Potosi,
29. Nov., 1892.

Dear friend:

In Guadalajara a short time ago I was surprised to hear of your anxiety concerning me, and now returned here I have your letter of the 7th inst.

At the beginning of the season I was straightened by the failure and return of one of my assistants, and since have had to crowd so necessarily to secure a good collection, that letters were neglected as much as possible. As I have secured but very few forms this season, I should think that I should have to go down to the coast regions or far to the south for more — but in this I fear. Hope to have [illegible] in two weeks —

Yours faithfully, C. G. Pringle.

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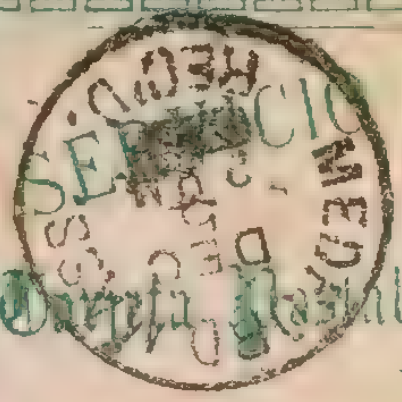

Mr. Geo. E. Davenport,

67 Valley St., Medford, Mass.,

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Charlotte, Vermont.
5th Jan., 1893.

My dear friend:

Thanks for your New Years greeting.

On Christmas morning I got home from my eighth Mexican journey in excellent health, and here we both I send you the few ferns of my collection. They are few because I did not descend much into the lowlands. On the high lands of Michoacan, where I spent most of the time, I had already collected the ferns and on the mountains of the State of Mexico, where I worked nearly all the rest of the season, I found only those to interest me. Did you ever find names for 3828 and 3987 of lists you?

Yours faithfully
C. G. Pringle.

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THIS SIDE IS FOR ADDRESS ONLY.

Mr. Geo. E. Davenport,
67. Valley St.,
Medford, Mass.

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Charlotte, Vermont.
13, March, 1893.

Dear Mr. Davenport:

Polypodium petiolatum was found on the branches of oaks on the mountain sides about the Station of Las Canoas in the eastern part of the State of San Luis Potosi. This must have been near the limit of its distribution — certainly on the western limit and near the dry region, where ferns cannot grow on trees — for I searched somewhat widely, and found only the two specimens.

I send on mine, and the tickets.

Yours faithfully,
C. G. Pringle.

Charlotte, Vermont.
19, Dec., 1893.

Dear Mr. Davenport:

Once more I am home safe and well from my Mexican travel, and with my usual collections. So, I send you the ferns, though they are few, so few as to disappoint you, doubtless. This is owing to my having kept to Jalisco most of the season and to my being handicapped by poor help. In May I got into a good region for ferns about the Colima Mts., as you can see. It was my intention to return there for ferns, etc., in autumn — the season for ferns — but my assistants were too much

of a burden; so, instead, I came home early to unload.

If, as I think, I send you Hoth. Grayi, it must be from an extreme southerly station — much farther south than before recorded. It was 50 miles west from Guadalajara, where H. Schaffneri rather than this species is common.

By the way when I compared these plants with my herb. specimens I came upon an unnamed specimen of Palmer's Betopilas (S-W. Chihuahua) collection 1885, which is densely tomentose annuals. It is ticketed "H. Grayi", but Eaton makes no mention of it in his report. It may be worth while to look it up in Camb. Herb.

With the wishes of the season

I remain, Yours faithfully,

C. G. Pringle

If it is, this is one of the 50 species of phanerogams which I made for the printer. Do the Bing me & Thomber.

I am at Point Comfort.

Charlotte, Vt.
18, Feb., 1894.

Dear friend:

Shall I distribute 4420 as a variety of Gymnogramma Eurybrycna; and, if so, have you a varietal name? As it grows cliffs, muralis would be fitting.

Yours ff. C. G. Pringle

NOTHING BUT THE ADDRESS TO BE ON THIS SIDE.

Mr. Geo. E. Davenport,
8, Hamilton Place,
Boston

Charlotte, Vermont
18, March, 1894.

Dear Mr. Davenport;

I was delighted to get your letter of Feb. 27th and see how well you had made out in naming the difficult ferns. And here are the tickets — as many as printed. I am sorry I can hardly send you any more specimens. I send you more than half of my material of 8734, Asplm pennicum Sprengl, var. laciniatum, Davenport, all of that of 8731 Asplm cicutarium, Swz., var. palleacum, Davenport, and of 4420 I have had to divide specimens to small to cover them so around my distribution.

Yes, I believe you have received all the ferns collected by me.

8980 Asplenium hastatum, 1891.

Now may I ask a favor? Dr. Goodale wishes me to take photo-

graphs for his museum. He proposed to furnish me with a wide-angle lens for near work on fruits, flowers etc.; but I hear nothing from him and he may have forgotten the matter.

The camera is in Guadalajara, and you can tell better than I the size of lens it requires. Are there many sizes? Do I need to buy some new invention in the way of a camera, or will mine still serve about as well. I would not like to incur the expense of a new outfit unless it is advisable. Will you kindly tell me the cost of such a lens, as I need, and advise about plates or films and their cost, and say if you will buy for me, if I send the needed amount?

Yours faithfully,
C. G. Pringle.

I have been making up my outfit, and hope to start on my tenth journey in two or three weeks.

Charlotte,

25, March, 1894.

Dear Mr. Davenport.

Here are the tickets needed by you. I am glad to hear your judgement concerning the two species of Irish moss.

From Cambridge I now hear that Dr. Goodale has ready for me both a camera and lens.

Yours faithfully,

C. G. Pringle.

Charlotte, Vermont.
12, March, 1895.

My dear friend:

It was not till the 1st inst that we reached home. All right except for a tough fight with malaria, now subdued.

Did you think I got but few ferns? The last month was spent about Orizaba on a grand fern-hunt — as the package I now send to your home address by mail may show you. Those without tickets are for exts; will you kindly give attention to these first, so I can send the names to the printer?

The region about the base of Mt. Orizaba is a wonderful place for ferns. I only began on them, and hope to return to secure them all.

I am desolate in my home, having to mourn the loss of my precious mother afresh.

Yours faithfully,
C. G. Pringle.

Charlotte, Vermont.
21, April, 1895.

Dear friend:

Thanks for the fine names. As respects the Aspidium Phegopteris and Gleichenia undetermined by you, I think there remains still a month or more ere the names all come in from Cambridge so I can finish printing tickets; and in that time some light may come to you on them — or I lay them over for another year —

Yes, Mr. F. H. Horsford is specializing his nursery very much, and can, I think, supply almost any plant.

Mr. Dubuson writes that you

did not find a specimen of Agave Americana. I am not able to say positively that I ever photographed the plant, but an impression that I did remains with me. I did not know the name till recently, so that name does not accompany the plate. You can doubtless remember if you saw in looking over the specimens one of a very stout Agave with stems as thick as mine leg and some fifteen feet high and with leaves but two feet long, very broad and tender. I am scarcely hoping there is such a plate to be found.

I have 1500 plants yet to mount and my vacation is drawing to a close. Yours faithfully,

C. G. Pringle.

Charlotte, Vermont.
26. May. 1895.

Dear Mr. Davenport.

It was the first time I have failed to see you when in Boston. I told Joe how it happened, and, I believe, how I was to start back on another Mexican journey as soon as I get my distributions made.

Very soon I must take such plants as are fully named and make them up into sets, letting the unnamed ones lie over till another year.

So, I wanted to ask if you gave up the Aspidium and the Phegopteris, and the Glischrochaita, nos. 6077, 6132 and 6129. As these were growing close by

the city of Orizaba, so often visited by collectors I thought they must be well known species.

And I wanted to tell you how I have the old house all my own now, how the plantations of trees have grown stately since your visit a dozen years ago, and how (but oh alas!) I am desolate here and half sick from mourning for my precious mother, as I have put away her things to make room for the stranger who has come to take care of the house in my absence.

Yours faithfully,
C. G. Pringle.

Charlotte, Vermont.
28, July, 1895.

My dear friend:

Accept my sincere thanks for the photographs of my blessed mother so thoughtfully made for me. They will help to keep fresh the thousand precious memories of her which I treasure, while I cannot hope to find ever one to comfort and cover me in her stead.

I am happy to be able to send in a package by the same mail the first specimens you need. It gives me pleasure to hear that you are getting along so well in the running of my fires.

Now I am near the end of my distribution, and may be setting out for Mexico again after two weeks.

Yours faithfully,

C. G. Pringle.

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Mexico City,
24, Nov, 1895.

My dear friend:

Barring some rheumatism I am well and prospering as usual. Have just come from working the region of Cuernavaca 40 miles south of here. There I found three ferns strange to me. I don't know what this gold fern can be unless Cheilanthes aurantiaca (or C. ochracea of Species Filicum,) though it does not agree with the description very well. As far as I know that species has only been collected once and that by Hartweg near Morelia in the same zone with Cuernavaca.

The little Asplenium I have

you will find to be new, and will perhaps be fibrillosum. Note the fibrillose scales on the stipe and rachis and the fibrillose-lacunose indusium, so distinct. It is a tiny plant and must be rare in its distribution. The other form is an Aspidium with aspect of A. marginale.

I hope this will find you well and happy. And I will be glad to hear that some in Oaxaca.

Can't tell you when I will be returning home. Am tempted to go when the end of the year comes.

Yours faithfully,
C. H. Pringle

Charlotte, Vermont,
7 Jan., 1896.

My dear friend:

Once more I send you greeting from my home. The warm, bright skies of the Mexican tablelands tempted me to stay on through the winter; but the fear that, if I should do so, I might not get afield again earlier than I did last year decided me to come home and make my distribution as early as possible. But what a bleak welcome Vermont is giving me! I got quite free from rheumatism, and have been in perfect health since.

And in fine spirits, only no glad greeting from my precious mother, and my heart is desolate.

I am eager to hear how it fares with you. And did you receive a letter from me some weeks ago enclosing bits of two ferns? I have better specimens and at least one other species to send

you for name soon. And the firm not distributed last summer — I believe you wrote that you had at last made them out. I would like to send the tickets to the printer.

Yours faithfully,
C. G. Pringle.

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Charlotte, Vermont.
3, Feb, 1896.

Dear Mr. Davenport:

I was glad from my examination of fresh specimens, as I pointed it, that body was an Epidium, and to have had the passage. Now, after a close inspection of many specimens it seems nearly certain I believe beyond little to doubt.

The infection is very easily broken the bacteria I have appearing like a definitely body, and is covered little and tinted of the patient with minute flakes. It was growing in a putrefactive situation on an animal product in the place of a piece of horsehair, the passage [illegible]. I could find no other [illegible], [illegible] to have, and they have

occupied the entire of earlier editions of that much thumbed volume.

Not so with no. 5100 which you will find in the high branch of the Forth, where it would have been seen by Tennant before. I suspect you will find with a fresh microscope that it has a tubular beak much more simple than the other species — as Rubi Idæi Mill. that it easily recognise and becomes convinced by the development of the spermatozoa. Now to answer the question of your earlier letter, I should be pleased rather than 4 - 5 feet. If more in point of that size the chamber is large. It is a bit will show very pretty with long scales.

But this while I am writing perhaps the pleasure may be. Please send me a photo of your specimen and I will be delighted to say yes or no.

Yours ever,
C. G. Bangham

P.S.

I have to thank you for calling my attention to the matter of Aspidium Oreopteris. I must have got badly mixed on this and Phegopteris vulg. I have long known of both growing close together and always - I remember these various forms. I only collected a few roots enough for pots. I think I must have done this not [illegible] at the Conversazione. Did not intend me for exhibit (I never exp. to) and [illegible] point as I have one. Left [illegible] of my Aspidium with both sorts of the plants, when again in that field, I will [illegible] -

C.P.B.

H

Charlotte, Vermont.
15, Feb., 1896.

Dear Mr. Hampton:

No. 8968 I first saw in the spring of 1894 growing in south exposure high up on the Sierra de Ancora. It was then too young to collect, & did not return later on purpose to secure it, partly because other plants occurred upon the same partly because I found the mighty pines only a little of Pellaea ternifolia. Such flowers, however, when I saw in the Dona Juana time I never upon a flower that had not been down, and I'll be glad in order to find out what it might be. I don't know as I can find up at home. It has to particular it upon the long

specimens — the only fronds — supplied you
not it not accurate, and let me [illegible]
a full set for type specimens.

6190 - Aspidium sphaerocarpum.
What authority for the name
Fraxi I find in the Fraxi
Journal? Then you mean it
the same as my no. 916 published
as Aspidium Oligactis, [illegible]
which name should I use now?

6191 - Well, I will try my hand on
describing a new plant which
did you suppose upon my [illegible]
[illegible] not?

Asplenium fibrillosum, n. sp. Davenport.

No, let me discover the new plant
and come to you then description.
I like that arrangement better.

Yours faithfully,
C. G. Pringle.

Charlotte, N.C., Feb. 1, 1896.

Dear Mr. Thompson:

Aspidium Noveboracense, Thompson is pilulifer and Aspidium Sandsum is pretty near A. Goldianum already known, so, if you don't care much, I will give the first name a little time yet.

I know no. 1 of Aspidium acrostichoides, Var. no. 6116; am thinking it was like the rest of the species.

Yours &c.,

C. F. Ridge.

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H

Clarkette Dennis
26, Dec, 1896.

Dear Mr. Sampson:

Aspidium filix-femina was found 21st Nov. 1895 growing on a mossy bluff of a branch draining Alum Springs.

I wish to thank you for the pattern with which you have followed up the fern, and for the Ferns and Allies.

Yours truly,
C. E. Dennis

I am staying with my uncle, using it for my distribution off instructions. We are to come back to my place and 6077 was printed, as you see, so, by your time 6132 Aspidium noveboracense, [illegible]

Charlotte,

17. March, 1876.

Dear Montgomery:

[illegible]

[illegible]

6077. April [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible]

6132. April [illegible]

6191. April [illegible]

[illegible]

6194 [illegible]

[illegible], 5, Feb. 1905

[illegible] Bright [illegible]
of [illegible] San Felipe [illegible]
[illegible] 22 Sept. 1904

I wish you had [illegible]
but if this does not suit you [illegible]
I am [illegible] hopeful of [illegible]
[illegible] which [illegible]

Yours faithfully,
E. G. Bright.

P.S.

I have passed Bright's [illegible]
[illegible] for my [illegible]
[illegible] of [illegible]
[illegible] the [illegible], a [illegible]
my [illegible], and [illegible]
[illegible] the [illegible] in [illegible]
[illegible] a [illegible]
[illegible] form and [illegible]

V.

Charlotte, Vermont:
28, March, 1896.

My dear friend:

Your reasons for publishing the new genus etc. once outweigh mine for delaying. Mr. Nelson is likely to mind with it; had he been taking genus when with me on San Felipe he might have gone into it then.

And Finck — I had not a mark of him before. Will you kindly tell me who he is, where from, and where in Mexico he has been collecting? And where do his plants go to be named? And does he collect in large quantities?

Yours ever,
C. G. Pringle.

Charlotte, Vermont.
25. April, 1826.

Dear Mr. Davenport:

Unexpectedly overloaded with work, since I came home at New Years, I have not yet arrived face to face with the task of revising distribution — the most irksome of all my tasks, but this year not a long one.

So, as soon as I am able to send you tickets — I believe I have before some of the printers proofs.

Now I hope to be starting on my 12th Michigan journey in about two weeks —

I am not called to Cambridge this season; do, however, hope to see you — but remain

Yours faithfully,
C. G. Wright.

Charlotte, Vermont
29. July, 1896.

My dear friend:

Once more I am home from Mexico in good health and with a large collection — but only a single fern for my sets! I kept within fifty miles of the city of Mexico nearly all the season. So I am sending you along with this only three of four ferns. Will you kindly give me the name of the large Acrostichum as soon as convenient so I may print tickets? Earlier collectors have found about Cuernavaca two or three species of Pellaea, which I can't yet find. I send you a Pellaea

from that region, which can be no other than P. Sumavia. If really so, I am surprised that it was not seen there before, for it is abundant on the lava beds six miles east of Cuernavaca. Is it possible that this has been called something else? On those lava beds Hem. ionitis elegans is abundant also — within fifty miles of Mexico City!

An Indian revolt in Oaxaca in the spring deterred me from going there early after more material of your new ferns. Shall hope to do them justice next year.

Hoping to hear that you are well prosperous and happy, I remain,

Yours faithfully,

C. G. Pringle.

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Charlotte, Vermont.
10. Jan, 1893.

Dear Mr. Davenport:

I must turn over to you the question of Mr. Gilbert. He wished to get my Mexican ferret, and I sent him some 60 ferrets and some allies with which he was pretty pleased, sending me in return a passage of his Jamaica ferret. You will probably correspond with him directly in this matter.

Did it seem incredible that I should get this ferret last season. I was an old pencil for much, for seeing anything hidden when I took you.

It has never been as though I am to be invited to visit Harvard this winter. I am still hoping of getting

Made by to the field very large
Yours faithfully
C. W. Pringle

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Charlotte, Vermont.
25 April, 1897.

My dear Friend:

It is apparent that I shall not visit Boston this season. I have just finished making me an herbarium of foreign plants, though I may, still, to add to it considerably if I can find opportunity. Since the first of March I have mounted nearly 3800 plants, applying myself steadily and unremittingly — and I am still alive.

Next week I shall be making my distribution — 50 sets of 300 species each. Meyer-burned preparations will carry me into my 13th Mexican journey. I expect to be early to Oaxaca to join a

friend resident there, Prof. C. Coggeshall of the State Normal School, on a trip through the wild Indian country to the north east of that city. As Prof. Coggeshall, whom I like, offers me pick quarters in his house, I may spend much of the season in that city.

I enclose a letter which will explain itself. Write you tell me what you think of this man and his hair-splitting work? Ought I to drop him and [illegible] [illegible] supply [illegible] [illegible]

Sincerely,
G. Kingsley

Charlotte, Vermont.
24, May, 1897.

My dear friend:

I expect to set out on my thirteenth Mexican journey tomorrow, and hope to be in Oaxaca during June. So I am likely to receive your new Pillar and Acrostichum Principis, Stamp.

Yours faithfully,
C. G. Pringle.

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Charlotte, Vermont.
17, Oct., 1877.

Dear Mr. Davenport:

On my last Mexican journey I gathered, I believe, not a fern specimen! I was all the time in fields previously visited by me, and I left rather early for ferns. I went a month on a trip to Canada, but it was early for the ferns I wished from there, and I was expecting to return there in better season.

My journey went rather hard. On my way out I contracted sciatica, and the pain in which I worried the first month, impeded my success. Then I took out a fresh assistant, who suffered from malaria every week, so it was well to expose him to sun and hardships. Consequently I had to work alone

in the field; and exerting myself to the utmost I got worn and nervous till, when it became evident that my assistant should not stay longer in that country, I was willing to come home with him for a rest. The journey was a rough one, and when I had been home but six days, I took another man and started back. But I found on arriving in El Paso, Texas, that I could not get through by the Mex. Cent. R.R., on which I had passed, because twenty or thirty miles of its line was under water. An ancient lake bottom had filled with water under floods of unprecedented extent.

Hence I am again at home. And the plan is that I make my distribution before winter, and be back in Mexico by New Years to collect in the tropical lowlands during the first months of the year.

I am all alone again in this big house, because I have not yet found and engaged an assistant. It is a good thing to be at home and amidst my herbarium with a chance to study and to rest. But here I am often reminded of my loss of my precious mother and of other friends; so that sadness mingles with the joy and comfort of home.

And bereavements follow one after another. The last loss was that of our dear friend, Miss Piper. Did you hear of her death, which occurred on the 4th of July? I was not surprised to hear of it, for each of her latest letters was written as though it was to be the last. But a great void was made and such voids are not to be filled in this world.

I have had a moderate collection this year; and shall have to be careful about incurring expense; therefore it seems doubtful whether I shall visit Boston this season, or see you and my other friends there.

Because I did not return to Oaxaca your letters addressed to me there were never received. It is bad.

I am wanting to know about Salvin. Did he collect for the Field Columbian Museum, and where? And when?

Yes Charles Smith's collection so much like mine, I am not surprised that he got Pallas mentioned. Did he get Acrocephalus Pringlei? His specimens were larger than mine. Another species?

Yours faithfully,

O. B. Pringle.

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Charlotte, Vermont.
9, March, 1898.

Dear Mr. Davenport:

I thank you for sending me an account with samples of the firm of Mesrs. Corzatti and Gonzalez. Prof. Corzatti is a warm personal friend of mine. He is Director of the State Normal School of Oaxaca, and my home, when in Oaxaca, is in his house. He is a cultured Italian, fair and blue eyed and gentle. When I was living with him last July he told me of owning with his brother a plantation in the mountains south east of Cordova, and asked me to

join him in a botanical exploration of that district in November at the time of his vacation from School. He believed we might find not a few new species there.

When November came, I was home with my sick assistant, so he took with him, it seems, Prof. Gongaly, one of his assistant teachers, a young man much interested in botany.

Only a few days ago I received a letter from Mr. Coyotte saying he should anticipate my visiting him again the coming summer. No doubt he will talk again of our visiting Mt.

Cordoba; and I am sure I shall hope to succeed in doing so this year, and if I do, I shall have a shower to help you to the farm house.

I know they call the mountain north of the city of Oaxaca "Cerro (hill) de San Felipe"; but as its elevation is 8000 feet above the city and 10,500 feet above sea level, I thought I ought to write it "Sierra (mountain) de San Felipe", especially as it was in a range called "Sierra de Juarez" and none of the peaks are noticeably higher than this one near the city.

Good as Mr. Coyotl is and a hard worker as compared with the Mexicans, he would not make me a profitable associate or assistant, if he were free to do so. And he has contemplated changing his profession to naturalist collector. He would recommend me a Mexican assistant from among his large acquaintance, if I could to do so; but I could not think of asking him — could not think of depending upon Mexican help or living with one. I had the over one I saw here, yet let him go to a friend of mine.

It is so exceedingly difficult to find just the right sort of a man for my assistant in Mexico. I have had three. But I have not yet made a choice this year and am prepared to be disappointed over the matter.

I am very glad to close with my distribution. It will not take long. So, I think I shall get away about April 1st.

If we are to have a war with Spain, I ought to go carefully, but think I can keep safe among our near my good Mexican friends.

Yours faithfully,

C. G. Bingham

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P.S. Have I told you before that I have no mounted specimen of the Ophioglossum vitt by Mrs Britton? I must collect this year the American species for distribution -

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Charlotte, Vermont.
18. June, 1899.

Mr. Davenport:

I had the pleasure a few days or two ago to open your letter of the 16th, and to learn that you had already had in hand the first fruits of my (Spring) collection of 1899. Before long I shall know what you have called them.

But I was pained to learn of the death of your eldest daughter. And I am now grieving over the news from my poor daughter — not dead so far as I know, but to be a suffering invalid till death brings relief. She wrote me several weeks ago of having just come out of a hospital, where she

misbehaviour much severer than treatment. The mischief comes largely through the folly of her mother; and it requires my pity to think that she no will as I must suffer from that folly. She is the wife of a poor Millenarist preacher on Long Island and the mother of Mr Boyo.

A walk of fifteen miles runs from visiting her with the fatherly offices which my heart prompts.

It was not merely "ill health" which made it seem wise to come home; but I was so worn with hard work that I was too near falling ill. I must find that I suffer the physical more than

But I am no fear for me; I shall get recuperated and I hope to return to my field in two months.

I enjoyed most of my journey exceedingly. The Jalapa region is charming all winter, very much like June in Vermont. I took in a list of 200 plants which had been found in that zone between the verge of the tableland and the coast, and of these I got less than 150 in four days. I can spend Decembers winters there. Almost constant rains begin with June, and so far the tablelands are brown and dusty. It was the finest time of year for me to come

home to make a distribution. When I return and towards winter I shall expect to get some ferns not now in good condition.

During my last month I enjoyed the company of Dr. J. N. Rose and his companion, Dr. Hough, also from the National Museum. Dr. Rose is a good man, mild and gentle in his manners and kind of heart.

I have come home to miss my precious mother still again. But I have in my home a small family of good people.

With kindest care I remain,

Yours faithfully,

C. G. Pringle.

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Charlotte, Vermont.
23, March, 1900.

My dear Mr. Davenport:

Did you hear of my being in Cambridge for four or five days in January and feel that I slighted you in not even calling on you in Hamilton Place?

Dr. Robinson had me there to help him, the college paying my fare, and he kept me constantly at work looking over thirty to forty bundles of Mexican plants to name such as I could recognize at sight. One evening he took me into Boston to dine with Mr. Emile Williams and meet Judge Churchill and Mr. Rand. I had scarcely

an hour at my own disposal, and when Saturday morning came I had to come home. And I had thought I should certainly see you while on the trip - probably spend a night with you in Medford and should probably visit the Arnold Arboretum (which I have never done) and meet Prof Sargent and Mr. Jackson! This comes of being poor and a hard worked drudge.

I came home in October worn down again by toil fever and rheumatism, and by this am scarcely recovered. But I plan to set out on my sixteenth Mexican journey next week. I dread the journey not a little; but know I must work more carefully. I must be on the down-hill side of life now, and shall reach the bottom

soon enough, if I go slow.

Do not suppose I do not anticipate much pleasure from working again under the bright Mexican skies and gathering that rich flora.

On my autumn trip of only four or five weeks I got no more ferns. Here I send you the tickets for those of my spring trip. I expected you to call no. 8174 a Cyathea, because it is a fine tree fern.

I have not heard any news of you since last summer. I trust you are as well and happy as usual.

You can address me here, or direct to "Hotel Buena Vista, Mexico City."

Yours faithfully,

C. G. Pringle.